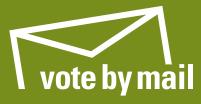
November 3, 2015 General and Special Election

# King County Official Local Voters' Pamphlet



For more information call 206-296-VOTE (8683) or visit kingcounty.gov/elections





#### **Greetings King County Voters:**

Fall weather is replacing the exceptionally warm months of summer and preparations for the 2015 general election have been underway for several months. With a registered voter population in King County of nearly 1.2 million, there is little opportunity for "resting on our laurels" having delivered 25 consecutive elections with no unaccounted for errors.

For me and King County Elections' staff, the fall election represents the culmination of opportunities voters have to influence decisions and actions that have significant impacts on their lives. From local level issues to county, city, state, and nation, our vote makes a difference that is essential to our quality of life and protection of democracy.

The end of 2015 will mark eleven years of my work with King County Elections and my retirement as the first elected director for this department. I can assure you, elections staff who are responsible for every error free election over the past decade continue to aim for perfection with results that verify the quality and innovation of their work. In fact, your elections department has been recognized at local, state and national levels for innovations developed by King County Elections staff and shared with our elections colleagues.

I am thankful for the opportunity you have given me to lead people whose respect for their place in election administration never wavers. I am especially thankful that over the years, nearly all of the dedicated election staff who were here when I came to King County Elections are here to continue the dedication to excellence as I leave.

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve as your Director of Elections.

Sherril Huff, Elections Director

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#### Requirements

To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

- · A citizen of the United States
- A legal resident of Washington state
- At least 18 years old by election day
- Not under the authority of the Department of Corrections

#### How to register

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

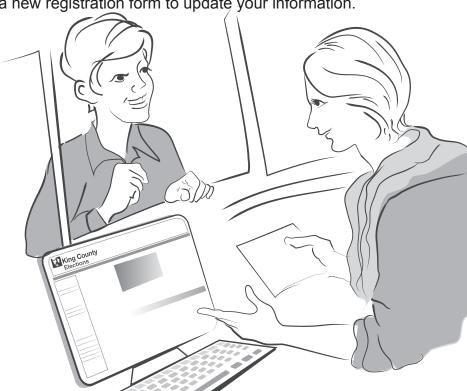
#### Registration deadlines

While you may register to vote at any time, there are registration deadlines before each election. The deadlines for the November 3, 2015, General Election:

- **Ocotber 5** Deadline to register to vote or update voter registration information.
- October 26 In-person registration deadline for people not currently registered in Washington. Register in person at the Elections office in Renton or at the Voter Registration Annex in Seattle.

#### Keep your voter registration current

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



## Visit our Voter Registration Annex

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

#### Services offered:

- · Register to vote
- · Update your address or name
- Get voter registration cards
- Get help with address issues
- · Cancel a voter registration

#### Services not offered:

- Get a replacement ballot
- Return voted ballots
- Resolve signature challenges
- Vote at an Accessible Voting Center
- · Get maps or data files
- File for office

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



#### **Contact information**

#### **Phone:**

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

#### **Email:**

elections@kingcounty.gov

#### Online:

www.kingcounty.gov/elections

#### Mail or in-person:

919 SW Grady Way Renton, WA 98057

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

#### **Voter Registration Annex\***

King County Administration Building 500 4th Ave., Room 440 Seattle, WA 98104

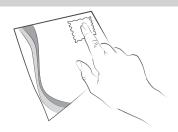
The Voter Registration Annex is open Monday - Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

\*Please note, this location only provides services associated with voter registration.

#### Through the mail

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

Ballots must be postmarked by November 3. Mailed ballots require first class postage, now 49 cents.



#### 24-hour drop boxes

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

#### **Burien City Hall**

400 SW 152nd Street, Burien 98166

### **Crossroads Shopping Center South entrance**

15600 NE 8th Street. Bellevue 98008

#### **Federal Way City Hall**

33325 8th Avenue S, Federal Way 98003

#### **Issaquah City Hall**

130 E Sunset Way, Issaguah 98027

#### **King County Elections**

919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057

#### **Lake Forest Park City Hall**

17425 Ballinger Way NE, Lake Forest Park 98155

#### **Redmond City Hall**

15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond 98052

#### **Regional Justice Center**

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

#### Seattle ballot drop box locations:

#### **Ballard Branch Library**

Corner of NW 57th Street and 22nd Avenue NW, Seattle 98107

## King County Administration Building

500 4th Avenue, Seattle 98104

#### Ballot drop boxes are open

24 hours a day beginning October 15.

#### Ballot drop boxes close

on election day, November 3, at 8 p.m.



#### Scheduled drop vans

Return your ballot without using the U.S. Postal Service or a first class stamp at a ballot drop-off van. Vans will be parked at these locations only on the dates and times listed:

#### **Auburn City Hall**

25 West Main Street, Auburn 98001

#### **Kirkland City Hall**

123 5th Avenue, Kirkland 98033

#### Sammamish City Hall

801 228th Ave SE, Sammamish 98075

#### SeaTac City Hall

4800 S 188th Street, SeaTac 98188

## Shoreline-Aurora Square Shopping Center

15505 Westminster Way N, Shoreline 98133

#### **Tahoma School District Building**

25720 Maple Valley-Black Diamond Rd SE, Maple Valley 98038

#### White Center at Greenbridge Library

9720 8th Avenue SW, Seattle 98106

#### **Woodinville City Hall**

17301 133rd Avenue NE, Woodinville 98072

#### Seattle locations:

#### **Magnuson Park**

6344 NE 74th Street, Seattle 98115 Use 74th Street entrance

#### **Rainier Community Center**

4600 38th Avenue S, Seattle 98118

#### West Seattle Stadium

4432 35th Avenue SW. Seattle 98126

#### **College Campus location:**

#### **University of Washington Campus**

Red Square, Seattle 98105

No parking or vehicle access available

#### Hours of operation

Saturday, October 31, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Monday, November 2, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Election day, November 3, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.



Voting by mail is a convenient option for most people. There are other options available.

#### **Online Ballot Marking Program**

- Any registered voter can use the online ballot marking program.
- Voters with disabilities can mark their choices on the ballot online.
   The online ballot marking program has been designed specifically to enable blind and vision-impaired voters to cast a private ballot.
- If a voter's ballot is damaged or lost, voters may mark their ballot on a computer, print it out, and return it by fax, standard mail or email before the 8 p.m. election day deadline.
- Overseas and service voters may request to permanently receive their ballot using this program.

#### **Accessible Voting Centers**

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

#### **King County Elections**

919 SW Grady Way, Renton 98057

#### Hours of operation:

Weekdays, October 14 - 30, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 31, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Monday, November 2, 8:30 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Election day, November 3, 8:30 a.m. - 8 p.m.

#### **Seattle Union Station**

401 S. Jackson Street, Seattle 98104

#### **Bellevue City Hall**

450 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue 98004

#### Hours of operation:

Friday, October 30, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday, October 31, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Monday, November 2, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Election day, November 3, 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Voters also may return ballots at these locations during the hours listed.



## Reading the local voters' pamphlet



## Why are there measures in the local voters' pamphlet that are not on my ballot?

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

## What is the order of candidates in the local voters' pamphlet?

Candidates in the local voters' pamphlet appear in the order they will appear on the ballot.

### Are candidate statements fact checked before they are published?

No. King County Elections is not responsible for the content or accuracy of the statements, and we print them exactly as they are received (including any potential errors). Candidate statement word limits are based upon the number of registered voters within each district.

#### What is an explanatory statement?

A ballot measure explanatory statement is prepared by the district's attorney; it outlines the effect the ballot measure would have if passed into law.

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

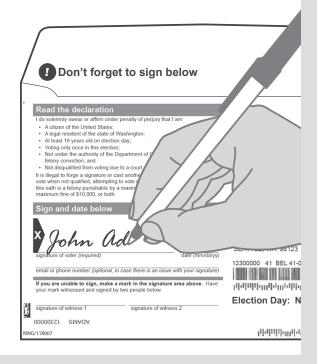
Districts choosing to participate in a local voters' pamphlet are responsible for appointing committee members who agree to write statements.

The statements are a way to persuade voters to vote for or against a measure. King County Elections is not responsible for the content or accuracy of the statements, and prints them exactly as they are received.

# Your Signature matters

Did you know that by law, we can't count your ballot if you don't sign the ballot return envelope? Carefully sign the declaration on the back of your return envelope before you return your ballot.

If you forget to sign or if the signature doesn't match the one on file with your voter registration, Elections staff will contact you to take care of the issue.



Title	Duties	Term (years)	Salary (2015)
King County Assessor (elected by voters in King County)	Oversees assessments of residential and commercial properties in King County.	4	\$174,379
King County Director of Elections (elected by voters in King County)	Conducts elections and oversees voter registration and voter education in King County.	4	\$174,379
Metropolitan King County Council (elected by voters in King County)	Sets policies and enacts laws. Develops and adopts county budget. Oversees county services.	4	\$148,093
Port of Seattle Commissioner (elected by voters in King County)	Operates, manages, equips, and maintains the port. Establishes port policy.	4	\$7,620 and \$42,106 <sup>1</sup>
City Mayor (elected by voters in the city)	Works with the city council to enact legislation. Runs the day-to-day business of the city government.	4	Varies by city (check with them directly)
City Council Position / District (elected by voters in the city²)	Approves the city's budget. Develops laws and policies. Oversees public services.	4	Varies by city (check with them directly)
School District Director/Position (elected by voters in the school district³)	Sets policies for schools.  Provides oversight for the operations of the school system.  Represents the interests of the community on public education issues.	4	No annual salary
Fire District Commissioner (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees fire services including fire response and protection, emergency medical aid and more.	6	No annual salary
Water District Commissioner (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the water district to provide clean, safe drinking water.	6	No annual salary
Sewer/Wastewater District Commissioner (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the sewer district to keep up facilities, meet water needs and meet environmental requirements.	6	No annual salary
Utility District Commissioner (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the utility district to maintain properties, conserve energy and monitor use of many types of energy.	6	No annual salary
Public Hospital Commissioner (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees hospital operations and delivers services to promote health.	6	No annual salary
Airport Commissioner (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees county airports.	2	No annual salary
Cemetery Commissioner (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the maintenance and operation of district cemeteries.	6	No annual salary
Park and Recreation District Commissioner (elected by voters in the district)	Adopts the parks budget, and develops goals, policies and regulations for parks.	Varies	No annual salary

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Current office holders receive the lower salary. Candidates who are elected to office in 2015 will receive the higher salary. Current elected officials cannot have a change of salary in the middle of their term.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For Seattle City Council, voters now elect seven members by district and two at-large (citywide) positions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Seattle School District No. 1 director districts are only voted on by voters within each director district for the primary election. In the general election, these districts are voted at-large (district wide) by all registered voters in Seattle School District No. 1.

#### **Assessor**

#### Lloyd Hara

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**Education:** BA in Economics, Masters in Public Administration. University of Washington

Occupation: King County Assessor and Small Business Owner

**Statement:** When you elected me Assessor, we were in the grip of the recession. With property values back on the rise, it's important your property assessments continue to be fair and accurate.

We made it easier to petition values with online appeals. Even with this improvement, property valuation appeals have dropped 50% since I took office, signaling public confidence in our work!

The Assessor's office *does not set taxes*. We do, however, value 700,000 King County properties annually. In that process, we won nine national awards. We are rated one of the best Assessor's offices nationally for excellence in setting values, technology innovation, public education, transparency, and customer service.

We help senior-citizens with *tax relief* programs to keep housing affordable. We advocated to the Legislature and this year the income limits were increased so that more seniors, veterans, and disabled qualify for property tax relief. This will *help homeowners* afford to stay in their homes – as King County becomes more expensive.

We transformed the office by *focusing on customer* service. When you call our office you speak with a live person – not a recording. Our awardwinning website is the second most visited County site. We launched LocalScape, which provides info 24/7 about how we value your property and other significant community data.

Employees rated us with the *highest* workplace satisfaction among all King County agencies!

We have more great work to do and would appreciate your vote.

I am endorsed by a coalition of supporters including former Governors Gary Locke and Mike Lowry; Attorney General Bob Ferguson; King County Councilmembers Reagan Dunn, Larry Gossett, Jane Hague, Larry Phillips, Dave Upthegrove, Rod Dembowski, and Pete von Reichbauer; Sheriff John Urquhart; Laborers Local 242; King County Democrats; Mainstream Republicans of Washington; King County Realtors; Equal Rights Washington, and Fire Fighters 27.

#### John Wilson

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www.wilson4assessor.com



**Education:** Bachelor's in Editorial Journalism and Political Science, University of Washington

Occupation: Special Project Manager for Innovation at King County

**Statement:** John Wilson is the clear choice for non-partisan King County Assessor. He'll put taxpayers before politics.

John will make sure property taxes are fair, ensure it's easy to file an appeal, and that the office is well-run.

The incumbent, Lloyd Hara, is a career politician who has raised property tax levels to their highest since 2009, killed a technology partnership potentially worth millions to King County taxpayers, and then demanded a huge pay hike for himself – \$14,000 a year more than we pay the Governor. Hara compared himself to Assessors in California and Texas. He's already the highest paid Assessor in Washington at \$169,000 a year.

John will reject the incumbent's self-serving pay hike demand. As chief deputy assessor, John built a record of innovation and reform. He spearheaded development of the first-ever mobile device app to improve assessment accuracy and efficiency. He launched the state's first online property tax appeals platform. He even re-deployed slightly used fleet vehicles to save money and get work done more efficiently. John's leadership saved taxpayer millions and delivered results.

Sadly, many innovative initiatives in the Assessor's Office have stalled since John left.

If elected, John will aggressively work to sign up eligible seniors and veterans for the property tax exemption program, and work with Executive Constantine, Mayor Murray and others to find solutions to the affordable housing crisis to help renters and homeowners.

John isn't a life-long politician. He'll do what's right instead of what is self-serving. That's why Dan Evans, Martha Choe, Bruce Harrell, Rob McKenna, John Okamoto, Cathy Degginger, Claudia Kauffman, Paula Boggs, Norm Dicks, Chris Vance, Dorothy Bullitt, Denis Hayes, King County Labor Council, Aerospace Machinists 751, Amalgamated Transit Union 587, Teamsters 117 and countless others have endorsed John.

Please vote John Wilson for King County Assessor. Thank you.

#### **Director of Elections**

#### Julie Wise

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Education: University of Washington Evans

School; Harvard Kennedy School; Certified Washington State and National

**Election Administrator** 

Occupation: Current Elections Deputy Director and 13-year veteran

elections administrator

#### Statement:

Thank you, voters, for your support in the primary. I was humbled by the results of my first election as a candidate, receiving 63% of the County's votes.

Your confidence in our election system is very important to me; I want to bring more community input into elections to continue building upon our record of accurate, fair and transparent election administration.

As the current Elections Deputy Director, I oversee four elections every year, and I've been part of the team responsible for completely reconciling all elections for the past five years. I introduced Lean Management principles and Six Sigma techniques to more than 100 election processes, giving me a national reputation as an innovator. I have expanded education, outreach and services for all voters, including voters with disabilities, new citizens and those in the military.

I am the only nonpartisan candidate running in this race, and I'm proud of my track record of serving all equally and fairly. The Elections Director is too important a position to be trusted to an overly partisan candidate who lacks election administration experience.

I am committed to continued reform of King County Elections. I plan to install more permanent 24-hour ballot drop boxes across King County and expand accessible voting options for all voters. I look forward to implementing new techniques that enhance elections audits, replacing aging equipment and further strengthening our accountability. I will keep expanding voter education and outreach to better serve all citizens and communities.

I am proud of the diverse endorsements I have received: The Seattle Times, The Stranger, National Women's Political Caucus, Secretary of State Kim Wyman, retiring King County Elections Director Sherril Huff, bipartisan election officials across the state and Democratic, Republican and Independent voters countywide.

I ask for your vote. Thank you for your support.

#### Zack Hudgins

4511 S 136th St Tukwila WA 98168 (206) 860-9809 zack@zackhudgins.info www.zackhudgins.info



Education: BA - University of Notre Dame

Occupation: High Technology Manager / Citizen Legislator

**Statement:** Zack Hudgins is the only candidate in this race with successful leadership in elections, business, and public service. His competency and integrity is recognized by many civic and veteran organizations. Zack has the education, experience and vision to move this office into the future.

It's time for a change. The King County Elections administration has stumbled over the last few years with the 2004 governor's recount, having too few ballot boxes and other practices that have dramatically lowered voter turnout. The current administration isn't ready for the growth and technology of the future.

We can do better. As the next Elections Director, Zack commits to prepare the office for the coming challenges through constant enhancements to the counting process, improving accountability measures, more ballot security, friendlier online tools and expanded community outreach.

Zack is a nationally and internationally respected elections expert with a background in Information Technology (IT). In 2004, he was a U.S. senior process advisor to the Interim Iraqi National Congress preparing for their first free elections.

Zack brings a unique competence to manage the Elections office from many years of service in the State Legislature. This service includes oversight of the Public Disclosure Commission, the Secretary of State's Election division, budgets and large and complex IT projects. In addition to his Legislative responsibilities, Zack regularly works with civic groups around the state, including high school and college students, on how to be more effective citizens. Zack is the candidate with a completely untarnished record of public service.

Zack brings his business experience at Amazon.com and Microsoft to identify efficiencies needed in the Elections office.

With his wife, Gabriela Quintana, Zack is parent to a four year old son. Because of his public record, Zack is widely supported across the county.

Vote Zack Hudgins for Director of Elections.



Voting is like soccer—you've got to stay on the ball and get it in!

Don't miss your chance to vote- it's how you score for all of us!

Be an informed voter!

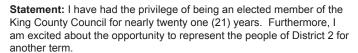
#### **Council District No. 2**

#### **Larry Gossett**

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larrygossett09@gmail.com www.larrygossett.org

**Education:** BA, University of Washington 1971 **Occupation:** King County Councilmember



I believe that I am an effective and collaborative leader who has successfully represented my constituency in Martin Luther King Jr. County. The district that I represent is one of the most diverse-- economically, culturally and ethnically-- in the entire nation. I have led in building and organizing broad-based coalitions of neighborhood and community activists to address a variety of extremely important public policy issues. These issues have ranged from creating a low-income bus fare for dependent Metro bus riders to fashioning a wide array of new, innovative alternative to incarceration programs that have both made our streets safer and dramatically reduced the number of adults and youth in our jails and detention centers. I have also sponsored legislation that protects the rights of immigrants and refugees to secure their basic civil rights.

I will be deeply honored to receive your vote for re-election to the Metropolitan King County Council.



# Candidate and measure statements are printed exactly as submitted.

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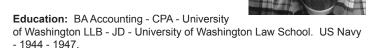
#### **Metropolitan King County**

#### Council District No. 4

#### Rufe Orr

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**Occupation:** Retired IRS attorney – 38 years active license to practice in Washington State, retired in 1995

**Statement:**I am seeking election to protest the necessity and source of taxation from the 2015 Washington State Legislature and to protest the handpicked selection of Ms. Welles by the Governor and KC Executive to fill the open position of KC Council.

My experience leads me to believe there are sufficient revenues from existing resources to satisfy our constitutional obligation to educate our youth without an increase in the B&O tax or a capital gain tax. Both sources would be extremely unreliable in a recessive economy. The capital gain tax also raises constitutional and jurisdictional issues as to its viability.

Both our State and Federal constitutions are designed to create governments of limited powers. If elected I would vote against legislation which imposes a tax on income or property of an individual without mandating that such legislation be sent to the voters for approval or rejection.

KC Council Position 4 is in a densely populated area. Expansion in employment and technological innovation from corporations such as Boeing, Microsoft, Amazon, etc. has resulted in immense traffic congestion. KC government should lobby hard for Federal assistance to resolve this issue. I will strive to communicate solutions to these and other problems.

#### Jeanne Kohl-Welles

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**Education:** Ph.D. Soc. of Education, M.A. Sociology, UCLA; M.A., B.A. Education, CSUN; Harvard Kennedy School Certificate

Occupation: State Senator 36th LD, former higher ed faculty, administrator

**Statement:** I've been honored to serve in the State Senate for 21 years and look forward to representing you on the King County Council. I'm especially grateful for the support of retiring Councilmember Larry Phillips. We hold common values and public policy priorities, and work collaboratively in achieving common-sense solutions on challenging issues.

My goals will reflect social justice and economic opportunity in working to improve our:

Quality of Life and Natural Environment, creating a sustainable economy aligned with income equality, pay equity and local business opportunities; solving persistent growth, infrastructure and fiscal demands; conserving our natural resources and parks; addressing climate change; and enhancing arts, culture and heritage programs;

Public Safety while eliminating disparities in our juvenile justice and adult criminal justice systems, fighting human trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation of children, expanding proven diversion programs, and eliminating unsafe oil trains;

Mobility, emphasizing congestion reduction; transit, bicycling and pedestrian modes; and extension of light rail to Ballard and West Seattle through voter approval of Sound Transit 3;

Health/Human Services, addressing disparities in health care, mental health services and housing; and fairly implementing state and local adult and medical marijuana laws.

It would be an honor to receive your vote!

#### **Council District No. 8**

#### Joe McDermott

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Education: M.P.A., University of Washington;

B.A., Gonzaga University; Executive Education Program, Kennedy School, Harvard University

Occupation: King County Councilmember; previous: State Legislator, Senior Budget Analyst

**Statement:** King County needs seasoned, effective leadership. On the County Council and Sound Transit Board, I've rolled up my sleeves and gotten results on critical issues: transit and transportation priorities; human services; and environmental protection. I look forward to continuing to serve our diverse and unique region.

A lifelong area resident, I have worked hard to keep King County on track—bringing compassion and innovation to budgeting and safeguarding critical services. I have chaired the Council's Budget and Fiscal Management Committee for the last 4 years.

Transit and Transportation: I believe in high quality transit for the whole region. I will advocate for light rail to West Seattle. On the Council, I supported innovative ridership-expansion programs and fought to maintain Metro service with fiscally responsible reforms.

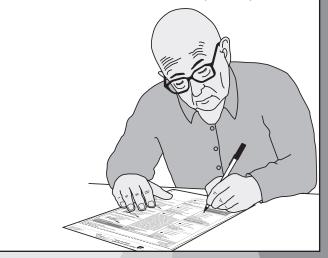
Human Services: I have been a consistent voice for safeguarding services for the vulnerable. That work includes keeping Greenbridge and other public health clinics open and ensuring funding for Maternity Support Services.

Environmental Protection: I proudly sponsored legislation to preserve Maury Island and continue to lead on Duwamish cleanup and other conservation efforts in District 8 and beyond.

I would be honored to have your vote to continue to represent you on the County Council.

## Tips for voting

- Read the ballot, envelope and voters' pamphlet carefully.
- Use a black ink pen to fill out your ballot.
- Remove and recycle the stub at the top of the ballot.
- Sign the declaration on the back of the return envelope.
- Return only your ballot in the envelope provided. Do not return multiple ballots in the same envelope.
- Lost or damaged ballot? Questions? Call 206-296-VOTE (8683)



#### Commissioner Position No. 2

#### Courtney Gregoire

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

Occupation: Microsoft Counsel, Former Deputy Chief of Staff US Commerce Department

Statement: It's been my honor to serve as one of your Port Commissioners for the last two years.

I ran for office to ensure that we have quality jobs at our port, protect our precious environment, and strengthen our region's international competitiveness.

Growing Jobs and Regional Competitiveness

I want the Port of Seattle to be a place that respects all the women and men who work there. That's why I led our quality job initiative to raise the standard of living for airport contractors, enable every employee to grow in their careers and better serve the people of our region.

For too long, the ports of Seattle and Tacoma were locked in race-to-thebottom competition harming our region and state. In 2014, we launched the landmark Northwest Seaport Alliance and proved that collaborative leadership can get things done. This historic new partnership will ensure that our state's largest two ports will work together to move Washington products around the globe and support good-paying jobs here at home.

#### Protecting Our Environment

Environmental protection is vital and remains my core priority. We have made smart investments at SeaTac Airport and, in 2014, our airport was the first in North America to win a carbon emission award for reducing emissions by 8% in 3 years. The Port must keep its commitment to cleaning up Puget Sound and the Duwamish River.

#### Moving Forward

But despite all of these accomplishments, there's still much work to be done. We must continue to grow and improve SeaTac Airport, expand workforce training opportunities in the maritime and aviation sectors, and fulfill my commitment to make the Port an environmental leader.

With your support, we can continue to meet these challenges.

My husband Scott and I live in Seattle with our two daughters. I would appreciate, and ask, for your vote.

#### Goodspaceguy

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Education: University educated in Germany, Sweden, and America, Goodspaceguy earned Bachelor's and Master's degrees (economic minors.)

Occupation: Shared Corporate Owner Goodspaceguy: "Unsabotage our shared, competitive, free market!"

Statement: Warning: There are several people (some brilliant) who have been writing and producing under Goodspaceguy's name (perhaps to cause him vote loss?) This is entirely unnecessary because Goodspaceguy can lose votes all by himself just by saying that the anti-free-market, minimum wage should be abolished so that less-productive, disadvantaged people can easily get work at their low market value. (Note: Jobs educate! Being forbidden to work by the minimum wage is terrible.)

You the people of King County own the Port of Seattle. Why are you subsidizing this business through your property tax and through your rent? Are you getting a prosperous King County? No! Goodspaceguy thinks you are getting a lower living standard.

Improving the economy by increasing jobs should be a goal of the port. Make it easy for the long-term unemployed and the homeless and the many beggars to get jobs somewhere in our competitive economy (where supply and demand sets prices.) Unsabotage our economy. Raise the people's living standard by increasing production.

To fix your car, hire auto mechanics. To fix your economy, elect economists who understand business and the profit incentive. At university, Goodspaceguy spent much time studying business and economics. Because you have a super-duper high-cost port, Goodspaceguy believes cost control should be increased. Investor Goodspaceguy, a small spender and a big saver, has become prosperous. To increase business, Goodspaceguy hopes we will become willing to use business and economics principles to change from a high cost port to a low cost port!

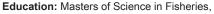
To help Goodspaceguy raise the living standard, please study economics. Read the news. Listen to radio talk show hosts. Discuss and defend capitalism. Remember: when you vote for big spending candidates, you are voting to increase taxes and waste and wild, wild spending (with millions to the terrible tunnel?)

#### **Commissioner Position No. 5**

#### Fred Felleman

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University of Washington. B.S. in Psychology, University of Michigan.

Occupation: Marine Environmental Consultant

**Statement:** We can all share in the natural wealth, economic opportunity, and beauty of the Puget Sound region if the Seattle Port Commission's governance is based on ecological integrity and equity. I'm the most qualified candidate to protect our environment while creating good paying jobs.

The Port's success is critical to King County's middle-class economy built on trade, tourism, fishing, and recreation. We need to bolster public trust in the Commission to address challenges from global competition to climate change.

The science of climate change is clear. We must find a sustainable tenant for Terminal 5 rather than Shell Oil and catalyze our clean energy economy.

As Port Commissioner I will:

Protect our working waterfront while implementing the NW Seaport Alliance.

Practice inclusive engagement in all decision-making,

Advocate for equitable funding for airport construction,

Ensure effective Duwamish River clean-up, and

Require that contractors and employees are treated and paid fairly.

Port Commissioners need technical and policy expertise, as well as experience building alliances. As a marine ecologist and policy consultant for 25 years, I have worked in broad coalitions to protect the natural and cultural heritage of Puget Sound by preventing oil spills from ships and trains, ending cruise ship sewage discharges and restoring Golden Gardens Park. For the past ten years I have been the only candidate participating in Port Commission meetings.

Working together we can ensure the Port grows responsibly while cutting carbon emissions. This will support our communities, unions, and industries at our airport and seaports now and into the future.

I am proudly endorsed by SEIU Local 6, Sailor's Union of the Pacific, King County Democrats, WA Conservation Voters, The Stranger, the Progressive Voters Guide, Max Vekich, Martha Kongsgaard, Kay Bullitt, Larry Phillips, Maralyn Chase, Pete Knutson, Nick Licata, and Ron Sims.

#### Marion Yoshino

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**Education:** Masters of Business

Administration, University of Washington; B.A. Political Science, Carleton College MN.

**Occupation:** Economic Development Consultant, Councilmember City of Normandy Park (former)

**Statement:** Marion Yoshino is an economic development professional with a background in banking and finance. She is a candidate for Port Commissioner today because of a series of successes that she and other community leaders achieved in working with the Port, including securing Port funding to construct soundproof school buildings throughout the Highline School District; wetland restoration and water quality measures; and other environmental and community improvements.

In her career as an economic development official, Marion drove the development of the first business park on Port property. The 90-acre Des Moines Creek Business Park has been awarded the FAA Regional Headquarters office project, turning vacant land into over 1600 local jobs. The Port owns much more property that could be used to create family wage jobs. Marion brings a commitment to helping people, and a dedication to economic development, to the Port Commission.

Marion is the only candidate who has experience as a public official. She has both private sector business, and local government, expertise. Marion is candidate of choice because she takes a strong stand:

The Shell Oil lease decision should not have been decided by Port staff, but rather by public process.

The assets of the Port should be used to create family wage jobs.

Environmentally friendly businesses are now creating more jobs, while preserving and restoring beautiful Puget Sound. We shouldn't have to settle for anything less than a clean environment and local jobs.

Let's stand together for a *clean environment, local jobs, and fair wages* as best business practices at the Port of Seattle. Leaders throughout King County support Marion for Port Commissioner.

Endorsed by: National Women's Political Caucus, Dave Upthegrove, State Rep. Gael Tarleton, Sen. Bob Hasegawa, State Rep. Mia Gregerson, Mayor Susan West, Democratic Legislative Districts 5, 11, 43, 47, and 48, and many more.

#### **Bob Edgar**

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Education: AA Computer Science, BA Earth Science, MBA Information Systems, Doctorate, Seattle University, Educational Leadership

Occupation: Corporate Education

Statement: I'm proud of my service on the Burien City Council! I've been a key vote in restarting Burien's development including Town Square, the innovative stormwater system in the airport impacted NE area and the Burien Economic Development Plan. I've also increased protection to critical areas, reduced garbage service costs and removed annexation from the Comprehensive Plan.

A stable voice on the Council, I work cooperatively with my fellow council members. I identify issues/solutions in an effective manner. I work for results: safe neighborhoods, a thriving business district, and an honest and responsive Burien government.

A Burien resident for 36 years, my community service includes: Salmon Creek Greenbelt/Seahurst Park preservation, Director/Shorewood Community Club, Sustainable Burien, Community Gardens, Neighbors of Seahurst Park, Clean Sweep, Boy Scout projects.

My goals for Burien: A safe, vibrant city with a small town flavor that supports Burien residents, families and businesses.

Thank you for your vote.

#### Holli Giffin

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Education: Juris Doctor, Gonzaga University School of Law; Bachelor of Arts, University of Washington

Occupation: Attorney

Statement: I am a long time resident of Burien, care about its future and want to retain its small town feel. As we grow, we must plan carefully about the many ways growth affects us. I want to help create economic strategies that erase barriers to more business development. I want to encourage small. locally owned businesses. Without a safe city we will not attract business. Social problems and growth bring more public safety challenges. We need more Neighborhood Block Watch programs & a strong partnership with police that promotes safe neighborhoods, parks and businesses. A robust arts community & well-maintained parks make an even better Burien.

I pledge to work respectfully with all council members and the community. Tolerance for differing points of view is a must. We cannot move forward without working together. I would be honored to work for and with you to achieve our mutual goals.





## Lucy Krakowiak

Council Position No. 4

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Education: Bachelor's Degree - Biology/ Chemistry. Secondary Education Teaching

Certificate - Science

Occupation: Burien Business Owner/Operator – Burien Massage Therapy

Center

Statement: Thank you for allowing me to serve you as Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councilmember. Burien has been my home since 1988. I've been a Burien business owner for 20+ yrs. My leadership experience includes; Burien City Council, Burien Business and Economic Development Partnership, Burien Cleansweep, King County Library System, Sustainable Burien.

The economy is recovering. It's time for Burien to get Busy!

Please vote for Lucy Krakowiak, Bob Edgar, and Darla Green – backed by local supporters - not beholden to other government offices/unions/entities/ special interests from outside Burien. We need to work together and move forward for Burien. We need to fill our empty stores, diversify revenue sources, provide the best public safety possible, ensure public services Burien deserves, strengthen neighborhoods and protect our environment. I will continue to work collaboratively with councilmembers and residents to revitalize Burien to ensure a thriving community we all enjoy. Thank you for your vote!



#### Jon Scherer

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Education: Syracuse University BA English

Occupation: King County Records and Licensing Services Division, Recording Manager

Statement: Our neighborhoods matter. We should feel confident in the knowledge that our homes, our families and pets and property are safe and secure when we are out enjoying the Burien community. Homes in our neighborhoods shouldn't be standing vacant for years on end. What is the Burien City Council doing to ensure our sense of wellbeing, our sense of belonging? What are they doing to revitalize our neighborhoods? Do you

I've lived in Boulevard Park since 2002. I know the challenges we face every day and I know how it feels to be disconnected from the City of Burien. I know what it's like to wonder what is being done to ensure our safety and our ability to enjoy being part of Burien. Boulevard Park and all the residential neighborhoods of Burien need a strong, representative voice on the city council. Let me be that voice.



#### **Austin Bell**

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**Education:** Highline College, AA (2011); University of Washington, BA (2013) and Urban

Planning MA (expected 2017).

Occupation: Real Estate Professional

**Statement:** Burien is a compassionate community guided by our concern for others and commitment to our neighborhoods. If our leaders embrace this collaborative spirit, we can build a Burien that works for everyone.

As your councilmember I'll remove unnecessary barriers preventing small locally-owned businesses from thriving. I'll seek grants to create new parks and improve streets, sidewalks, and intersections. Together we can ensure new development will strengthen our business district, not choke our neighborhoods. On the council, I'll fight for practical, proven public safety solutions such as neighborhood watch programs and stronger police-community partnerships.

I've knocked on thousands of doors across Burien and heard your calls for safer streets, useable parks and sustainable economic revitalization. As a fourth-generation Burien resident, I share these goals. I'm honored to be endorsed by over a dozen small business owners, local leaders, and civic organizations. Together, we can build a better Burien for all.



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**Education:** Highline Community College and Seattle Central Community College, Business. Master of Aesthetics, WA. Aesthetician, OR.

**Occupation:** Burien Small Business Owner and Industry Consultant, Aesthetics and Retail.

Statement: A Safe and Prosperous Burien

Burien is our hidden gem community! As a lifelong resident and Burien business owner, I know feeling safe in our neighborhoods and helping our business district thrive are top priorities. We need Council members with a "Burien First" attitude.

Together we can make Burien safe and prosperous.

A Safe Burien. I will work for increased police staffing to prevent crime before it happens. Strong code enforcement will hold absentee landlords responsible for their buildings and tenants.

A Prosperous Burien. Our regional economy is booming while Burien is being left behind. I'll work for policies and regulations that attract and promote businesses while retaining Burien's small town charm.

My name is Darla Green. I want A Safe and Prosperous Burien. I'm running for Burien City Council because I believe you want A Safe and Prosperous Burien too. Please help me help Burien by voting Darla Green.



#### Luisa Bangs

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Education: Everett Community College, AA, Business Management; Lifelong Learning and

Continuing Education Credits

Occupation: Senior Maintenance Manager, Port of Seattle, Seattle-Tacoma International Airport

Statement: My family and I have lived in Des Moines for 15 years. I have worked in several Port leadership roles developing teams, strengthening budgets and using my strategic management and leadership skills. In running, I took into account those skills and what I believe is needed to make greater impacts in our community.

Economic development, stronger public safety, and a focus on Des Moines as a true destination city are at the top of my list.

I serve on the Des Moines Arts Commission 4+ years, and by way of investing time in building relationships, have gotten to know many community members and business owners. I serve on the Police Advisory Committee and have learned much about safety and community policing. I'm honored by endorsements from KC Councilman Dave Upthegrove, Representative Tina Orwall, Mayor Kaplan and Council members and National Womens' Political Caucus.

Please vote for me on November 3rd.

#### Alexander Szabo

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Education: Master of Social Work, C.U.N.Y., Master and Doctor of Education, Columbia University.

Occupation: Retired Professor - Pacific Lutheran University, Social Work Program

Statement: As a member of the Des Moines City Council, I will support consensus collaborations and creative partnerships to challenge suburban poverty and to change its effect on the safety net for our vulnerable and oppressed populations. I support systems that expand local services for our diverse and multi-cultural citizens. I will work toward public safety and security and creative teacher/learner environments for our children, all within the city's strategic financial plan.

I support a revitalization of our downtown core and marina district and an emphasis on wide-ranging economic development as a platform for investment and progressive taxation policies. Workforce development needs employment training and adequate public transportation and good roads to and from jobs. I commit to necessary emergency food and housing assistance in core policy and planning issues for our homeless and at-risk citizens by providing access to integrated public health, human and mental health services.





#### Council Position No. 4

#### Jeremy Nutting

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Education: Clark Community College, Highline

Community College

Occupation: Des Moines Business Owner and City Councilmember Statement: As a 13vr resident and dedicated family man, my wife. Yvonne. and I live here with our two daughters, Natalie 9yr & Lilah 7yr. I am a loyal community steward and an active member of multiple City and Charitable Foundation Events and Programs.

I pledge to:

Encourage business development and economic growth in our community. Support government services that protect our community and keep it running smoothly.

Capitalize on our waterfront and marina, promoting Des Moines as a "Destination City" for visitors, residents and businesses.

Connect with residents and businesses to understand their concerns and ensure their views are represented.

We, on the council, have made great strides over the last year to simplify processes, refine regulations and ordinances and update building and zoning codes, all in an effort to attract and retain businesses and jobs in the Des Moines area.

Passion, Drive, Knowledge & Commitment!



#### Robbie Back

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science Business

Administration, Griffin College 1990, Awarded with High Honors.

**Occupation:** Independent Maintenance Contractor 30 years. Homeowner, Landlord, Property Manager.

**Statement:** I love Des Moines and I believe our best days as a city are still yet ahead of us. This incredible, as well as diverse community has so much to offer as an integral part of the greater Puget Sound metropolitan area.

I'm grateful to have been a citizen here these past 35 years. I am also honored to serve as your new council member beginning in January.

Thank you for your vote of confidence. May God bless Des Moines.

# What do pancakes and ballots have in common?

They both need to be turned over to be done. Remember to vote both sides of your ballot!



#### City of Lake Forest Park

#### Mayor

#### Jeff Johnson

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**Education:** No information submitted. **Occupation:** Business owner, City Councilmember, Volunteer Coordinator

**Statement:** Lake Forest Park is a great city, and we can make it even better.

The path to improvement includes: establishing our credibility with surrounding cities and working with them to solve traffic issues, supporting our police force, making Town Center a more vibrant hub, and continuing to build trust in our local government.

To achieve this, we need someone who can: build relationships, encourage partnerships, trust and empower our City's staff and residents, articulate a clear and motivating vision, and act on our best ideas.

I expanded my business and helped unite our Council by listening to people, finding common ground, and honoring my commitments. As Mayor, I will do the same.

I'll do everything I can to make our residents proud to live in this amazing place. We have an exciting future ahead of us, and I can't wait to get started.



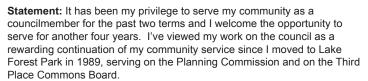
#### Council Position No. 2

#### Catherine Stanford

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Education: No information submitted.

Occupation: No information submitted.



After careful consideration, I decided to run for a third term. Our council has accomplished much in the past few years, and there is much more to do. Our city has gone through significant changes, and has weathered financial challenges. I want to be a part of seeing our city move from simply surviving to thriving on every level.

I appreciate your vote for re-election and your continued support.



#### David A. Hammond

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Education: Master's in Public Administration. UW: B.A. Business. UW: Shoreline HS Occupation: Certified Public Accountant

Statement: I am proud to be a Lake Forest Park resident and homeowner. LFP is a great place to raise a family. Now I want to help secure the future for my children and future generations.

Public service isn't about political ideology. It's about transparency and open communication, and setting our focus on the city's top priorities: public safety programs, long-term financial sustainability, solving upcoming transportation challenges and preserving our community's environment.

My public service experience and professional qualifications prove I'm capable of doing exactly that. My years of volunteering in youth sports demonstrate that I follow through on commitments. I've put in long hours over the past five years as a Lake Forest Park Water District Commissioner, proving that I can be entrusted with monitoring and directing city government.

We need to look beyond politics and towards the future. I ask for your vote so I can work for you.

#### Phillippa Kassover

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Education: London School of Economics. University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, BA

Sociology and Political Science

Occupation: Retired Director of Advancement and Communications, University of Washington

**Statement:** Lake Forest Park needs a councilmember who understands the community's priorities and is experienced at working openly and

collaboratively with residents, staff and elected colleagues. Like many of you, I chose LFP for its natural beauty and the environment we treasure, including our trees, natural water sources and wildlife corridors. I believe that we must work to:

Keep LFP a wonderful, thriving place that is safe and welcoming for all residents and local businesses while also protecting our environment; Improve options for getting around LFP and bus connections with the rest of the region without increasing cut-through traffic; and

Balance the spending priorities of our community while responsibly funding

Endorsements: Cascade Bicycle Club, National Womens' Political Caucus, Councilmember Dembowski, Senator Frockt, Representatives Farrell and Pollet, and LFP Councilmembers French, Phillips, Resha, Stanford, and Thompson. KC and 46th District Democrats.

I hope I can count on your Vote!



#### Council Position No. 6

#### Tom French

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Education: BA, Management/ International Business, Eckerd College

Occupation: Strategic Management Consultant

Statement: Four years ago. I was sworn into office and promised to bring meaningful reform to the Lake Forest Park government and tackle the tough issues that we face in our community. As a member of your City Council, I have kept my promise and helped put us back on a path to financial stability.

Working Together to Solve Problems

I have worked diligently with my colleagues to bring the community together to discuss the issues challenging our community.

Environmental Responsibility

We have made progress on environmental and flooding issues with the Lyon Creek Flood Reduction Project and Whispering Willow Park, but we have a long way to go.

Building on Our Progress

Moving forward, we will continue to focus on stream restoration, economic development and transportation issues. I hope you will join me as we continue to create a more innovative and inclusive local government. I would appreciate your vote.



#### Tina Budell

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Education: Bachelor's Art Education, Humboldt State University, Master's Study in

Technial Broadcasting, Teaching

Occupation: Microsoft DX Events, ITPro-Support, Project Manager-

**Amplify Solutions** 

Statement: Tina Budell is a proven leader: as a volunteer and in the business world, balancing multimillion dollar budget and projects. Tina is driven to make Kent safe and keep Kent a family friendly place where kids can be kids.

Tina Budell is President of North Park Neighborhood Council since 2009. Tina has worked with City and residents to reduce crime in her neighborhood, now one of the safest in Kent. Tina Budell produced a forum on the Howard Hanson Dam failure threat to give residents in the Kent valley information, an active annual volunteer for Kent International Festival, Neighborhood Program advocate, served on committees for Kent.

Tina Budell is a vocal advocate for our neighborhoods, now is the time to take that energy to City Council. Kent deserves someone who thinks of the greater good over self-interest. Please vote for Tina Budell.

#### Hira Singh Bhullar

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Education: Bachelor's of Engineering (Computer Science & Engineering), MGM College of Engineering, MH India

Occupation: Senior Software Developer, Starbucks Corporate Headquarters

Statement: We need to build a safe and thriving city by making our diversity a strength. The city can support Kent families by creating good jobs and providing opportunities to empower every citizen to participate. We can help by electing a diverse city council that reflects all of Kent. That's why I'm running.

We need to make Kent a safer place to live. In addition to community policing, we need to invest in after school programs, summer teen job opportunities, apprentice programs, and early education. With over 20 years of business experience, two children in the Kent Public Schools and my involvement in the Sikh community as a volunteer teacher I'm ready to help make Kent a place where all families and businesses will thrive.

Endorsed: 33rd & 47th District Democrats, OneAmerica Votes, State Representative Mia Gregerson, State Senator Pramila Jayapal and many more...





#### Council Position No. 3

#### Les Thomas

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Education: MBA from UPS, BA from UW and CGA from American Gem Society

Occupation: Retired Gemologist/Appraiser

Statement: Over the last twelve years, it has been my incredible opportunity to serve the Citizens of Kent as your City Councilman. Some of the many accomplishments include: Downtown Station, ShoWare Center, the new Platform Apartment complex, expansion of Green River College, Town Square Plaza with the Rotary ball, upgrading of Wilson field and the development of the Service Fields Sports Complex on 288th, the addition of 25,000 new residents with the annexation of the Panther Lake area, and the formation of over twenty-five "Neighborhood Councils". With your help and your vote I pledge to continue to lessen the tax burdens for all our citizens. After all, government should also have to live within its means.

Community: Member of: Kent Fire Department RFA Governance Board; Kent Kiwanis Club (37 years); Kent Chamber of Commerce and Kent Downtown Partnership.

Other: US Army Veteran

#### Bill Boyce

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Education: Bachelor of Science - General

Studies

Occupation: HR Leader at the Boeing Company

**Statement:** Thank you for allowing me to serve as a member of your Council. With eagerness and gratitude I look forward to my second term. I believe Kent is a great place to live and raise a family.

I'm grateful to the business community for their support with the B&O tax, which allowed the repair of our city roads. Furthermore, the revenue from the increased garbage rate has allowed much needed repair of the residential roads. These votes were tough, but necessary, due to years of not building funds for capital improvements. Looking to the future, economic development is the ideal way to increase revenue, which is why we strive to create a friendly environment for businesses.

I will continue to be an advocate for all aspects of Kent. Working together we can ensure our city is a safe, productive, and desirable place to live. Thanks for your ongoing support.

#### **Council Position No. 6**

#### Toni Troutner

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Education: Bachelor of Arts from Western

Washington University

Occupation: Market Research Analyst

Statement: As your councilwoman, I will bring 'new ideas and a fresh approach' to the council. My connections with the local PTA, faith community, and activities with my children for many years, imparts experience in building partnerships and working with diverse groups in our community. My husband and I have raised our family in Kent for over 15 years. I will work to keep our city a great place to raise families by promoting healthy communities and working to maintain our parks and programs for youth, ensuring public safety by supporting our police department, and improving the infrastructure of our city, including roads and sidewalks. My community service, including volunteering at the Severe Weather Shelter, chairing PTA committees, and membership on the Kent Drug Free Coalition has taught me about balancing budgets and working together with colleagues to reach a common goal: to continue making Kent a great place to live.

#### Brenda Fincher

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**Education:** Associate of Arts Degree, Riverside Community College; Scripture and Leadership Training Certificate, Seattle University

Occupation: Parish Administrator, Holy Spirit Parish

**Statement:** Since becoming your councilmember last year, I've worked to make everyday life better for you.

I've worked to eliminate regressive burdens by opposing increases in car tab fees and B&O taxes.

I'm working to keep Kent competitive by growing jobs, reducing traffic, addressing housing affordability and homelessness, and putting our parks and public facilities on a path to financial stability.

I've worked to keep our neighborhoods safe, including working with our police department to secure funding for training and leading the creation of Kent's E-Commerce Exchange Zone, allowing you to use the police department lobby to conduct safer Craigslist and person-to-person transactions.

I unite people and get results, which is why I've earned the support of so many leaders in both parties, my fellow councilmembers, business owners, neighborhood leaders, police officers, firefighters and our sheriff.

It's an honor to serve you and I ask for your vote.



#### Dana Ralph

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Education: Bachelors of Science, Business

Management

Occupation: Advance Billing Systems, owner

**Statement:** Since being elected to council in 2011, I have represented the Kent community in many ways. I am currently the Kent City Council president. I have served on community, city council and regional committees which have allowed me to create positive changes for Kent.

The heart of my candidacy is "Putting Kent First" by building a sense of family and community safety through continued support of our police and fire departments and parks programs; promoting economic development by creating employment opportunities in Kent and finally focusing on improving core infrastructure—streets, sidewalks, and public transportation.

Experience as a Kent business owner, community volunteer, wife and mother uniquely qualify me for being an effective Kent City Council member. I understand the importance of fiscal responsibility and volunteer work has shown me that the combined efforts of many groups working with city government result in the completion of projects that enhance our community.





You've moved your furniture, your clothes and even the garden gnome.

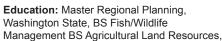
## But what about your vote?

When you moved, did you remember to update your address with King County Elections?

You can update your address online, by phone, or by visiting our office.

#### **Doug Osterman**

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Montana State

**Occupation:** Watershed Project/Program Manager and City/Regional Planner since 1988

**Statement:** I am running for a third term to serve the residents of Normandy Park. I believe in the City and care deeply about its future. I trust that together we will continue moving the City forward constructively and positively.

My top priorities are to: (1) keep city service delivery at the levels residents tell me they expect for police, street maintenance, permit processing, stormwater and environmental management, parks and recreation, and land use planning; (2) Advance the work of the 2012 voter-approved Metropolitan Parks District to maintain and improve our parks and natural areas; and (3) develop a vision that reflects your values and craft and implement the Comprehensive Plan for the next 20 years that will preserve the best of Normandy Park, elevate the City's regional profile and influence, and position the City to remain on top of the places to live, work, and play in Puget Sound.



#### **Council Position No. 3**

#### Jonathan Chicquette

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**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** Creative Technologist, User Experience expert and Branding Consultant

**Statement:** I believe in a stronger, unified Normandy Park that embraces equality, diversity, and seeks financial stability by bridging political differences. By working cooperatively with the community and council, I plan to strengthen the lifestyle and appeal of Normandy Park. My deep commitment to our community has led me to seek city revitalization, and therefore your vote. Join me in making Normandy Park the community we expect and want by voting for the change we need.



## Regarding write-ins

You do not need to make a selection in every race for your votes to count. You may leave a race blank or write in the name of a different candidate for a race on your ballot. Please, don't write "none of the above" or a frivolous name such as Mickey Mouse or Bigfoot on the write-in line. This creates additional work and expense to count.

Write-in votes are not tallied by name unless the total number could make a difference in the final outcome.

#### **City of Normandy Park**

#### Council Position No. 5

#### Michelle N. Sipes-Marvin

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**Education:** BA Criminal Justice, Washington State University, BA Political Science, WSU.

AS Nursing, Highline College.

Occupation: Registered Nurse

Statement: As a lifelong resident of the Highline area, I look forward to serving Normandy Park. I will do everything I can to help keep Normandy Park the special, quiet and beautiful city we currently have. I enjoy evaluating topics from different views in order to make decisions that will lead to positive outcomes for generations to follow. Preserving our beautiful community for current and future residents is my primary responsibility.



#### **Council Position No. 7**

#### Shawn McEvoy

872 SW 174th St Normandy Park WA 98166 (206) 242-8272



**Education:** LEED accredited Professional, University of Washington 1973-1975

**Occupation:** Small business owner, Real Estate Broker, Construction Professional

**Statement:** Thank you for the honor of serving you on the Normandy Park City Council for the past 14 years. *I pledge* to continue this service to you with integrity, accountability, transparency, and common sense. As your current Council-member and former Mayor, I've worked hard to ensure our city is safe, clean, and green *and that we keep you informed*.

During the worst economy in decades; we've reduced costs, yet still improved services to you. There is much left to do.

I have the experience you deserve. I've lived here for over 50 years. *I know* our community and *care deeply* for it. I'm an effective leader and consensus builder. I've served as President/Board member for the Normandy Park Community Club "Cove" for 12 years, revitalizing and putting it in a solid financial position. I believe I can do the same for our wonderful city. I look forward to serving you.

#### John L. Rankin

700 SW Normandy Road Normandy Park WA 98166 (206) 835-2853 Jlrankinco@comcast.net



**Education:** Highline School District Graduate, University of Washington Architecture School Graduate

Occupation: Architect, musician, carpenter, race car constructor

**Statement:** Normandy Park is in real trouble. We've had *six* city managers in the last 2 1/2 years and our city is suffering for it. We're also being asked for a huge new property tax increase, the 3rd in the last 5 years(!), because the last tax increase will be used to pay off a lawsuit on a poorly managed project, and did not fund police and city staff as we were promised. But you won't hear about that from them.

Shawn McEvoy is deeply involved in these issues, and has been a long-standing proponent of the multiple tax increases to fund a new city hall, among other expensive ideas. But he won't talk about that until *after* the election.

I ask for your vote to bring the ethics, honesty, responsibility and fiscal expertise to our council that my opponent has not. Vote for John Rankin, a representative you can *trust*.

#### Mayor

#### Denis W. Law

3625 Lake Washington Blvd N Renton WA 98056 (425) 941-1533 denislaw@comcast.net

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

Statement: Dear Renton voter,

I have had the honor of serving as the mayor of Renton for the past eight years. During this time, our population has grown to 100,000 people while our employment base has increased to 45,000 local jobs. Renton has become a desirable community to live, work and raise a family.

We survived the worst recession in history and city operations have become much better in many ways. We dramatically improved our productivity and efficiencies and have a lean workforce dedicated to providing residents with quality service, from our parks and roads to public safety.

Our future is very bright! Hundreds of millions of dollars is currently being invested in Renton, and we are committed to continue focusing efforts on making our city safer and managing growth and transportation impacts, while also improving the quality of life in our community.

I appreciate your continued support.



#### **Council Position No. 3**

#### Marcie Palmer

2507 Park PI. N. Renton WA 98056 (425) 271-0454 pkplmarcie@comcast.net

No photo submitted

Education: No information submitted

Occupation: No information submitted

Statement: Withdrawn from Council race.

Thank You Renton Community for your 12-years of past support!

#### Carol Ann Witschi

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**Education:** BS Business, College of Staten Island; MS Management and Systems, New York University; SPHR; SHRM-SCP.

**Occupation:** Human Resources Consultant, HR Business Partner and Small Business Advocate

**Statement:** Meeting the diverse needs of Renton's citizens while managing our growth has become complex. My 28 years in business deliver the real-world experience that today's Renton requires. I am the mother of two, a published author and the daughter of a retired judge and a high school educator. I understand the value that education, opportunities and good policies provide for the safety of our communities. I am on the Board of The Next Curve (Renton Community Foundation) and a member of the Renton Rotary. My husband is a USMC veteran and President of our HOA.

Councilmember Marcie Palmer stated "Please welcome Carol Ann with the same warmth you've shown me!" Our community has done that and I thank you.

Endorsed by: Mayor Denis Law, Councilmembers: Don Persson, Armondo Pavone and Ed Prince, Renton Firefighters Local 864, Affordable Housing Council of the Master Builders Association, Former Councilmember King Parker and more!



#### Ryan McIrvin

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**Education:** Bachelor's of Arts in Politics/Philosophy/ Economics and Communications, Western

Washington University

**Occupation:** Government and Public Affairs Director, Snohomish County-Camano Association of REALTORS®

**Statement:** With over 10 years' experience working in government, community organizing, and non-profit advocacy, Ryan has the knowledge and dedication to public service needed on council. Ryan currently serves as vice-chair of the Renton Human Services Advisory Committee and volunteers with the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Ryan resides in the Cascade Neighborhood with his wife Stefanie and one-year-old daughter Molly.

Public Safety: Provide the resources necessary for police and fire to maintain and improve safety in our neighborhoods.

Community: Promote policies that facilitate an adequate supply of affordable housing near employment and transit hubs; invest in neighborhood parks and trails. Economic Development: Grow an economic climate that allows local businesses to thrive downtown and throughout the city.

Endorsements: Renton Firefighters IAFF 864; Renton Mayor Denis Law, Renton Councilmembers Ed Prince, Armondo Pavone, Randy Corman, Don Persson, King Parker (former); State Representative Steve Bergquist, Renton School Board President Pam Teal. and more!

#### Monique Taylor-Swan

PO Box 59432 Renton WA 98058 (206) 450-8664



Education: Has taken classes at Highline

Community College

Occupation: home care aide serving seniors and people with disabilities

**Statement:** My kids go to school here. I am running because Renton could be a great place for my children to grow up and have their own families, but we need *real change*.

As a board member of my union I fought to raise the minimum wage in SeaTac and Seattle. Workers in Renton deserve to make a *living wage* and have *paid sick leave* so they can care for a sick child or parent.

I spend my days caring for seniors and people with disabilities. But we don't have enough *services for seniors* here in Renton. And we certainly don't have the services we need for youth.

Renton is an increasingly diverse city and diversity is one of our strengths. But we don't have a council that fully represents our community. I want to make sure all of our residents are heard at City Hall.

#### Council Position No. 5

#### **Fd Prince**

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Education: Franklin High School, Washington

State University

Occupation: President, Renton City Council; Director, Commission on African

American Affairs

**Statement:** Four years ago, I was honored to be elected to The Renton City Council. As your councilmember, I have worked hard to ensure Renton remains a wonderful place to live, work, and play. As our economy improves, Renton is becoming a hub for economic investment and a sought after community to live and raise a family.

Over the next four years I will focus on:

Public Safety: Support resources for police and fire so they have the necessary tools to keep our neighborhoods safe.

*Growth*: Plan for smart growth that protects the character of our neighborhoods while providing options for affordable housing.

Support Services: Continue to provide top notch services to our seniors, youth, and vulnerable populations.

I have been endorsed by Mayor Denis Law, Councilmembers Armondo Pavone, Don Persson, Randy Corman, State Representative Steve Bergquist, Former Councilmembers King Parker, Toni Nelson and Renton Firefighters.

I appreciate your vote!



#### Ruth Perez

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Education: Master's Degree (Business Administration, City University, Seattle; BA

(Communication Science, Anahuac University, Mexico)

Occupation: CAO/Checkerboard-Consulting; Renton Councilmember; Former

State Trade Office (under Governor Locke)

Statement: For 10 years at the Consulate of Mexico, my job was to develop partnerships with local, state and federal agencies to provide services and programs aimed at improving the quality of the community. I gained a reputation for being fair and resourceful in mediating problems.

When a City Council seat opened up, I was appointed and I haven't stopped working for you since that moment.

As Community Services Committee Chair, my focus is supporting programs for active lifestyles like reinvigorating senior centers and safe walkable

I've personally successfully lobbied lawmakers for funds for the I-405/SR 167 connector and I-405 widening to help us relieve the terrible congestion on our

I'm proud to be the first Hispanic female on the Council and named to the Mayor's inclusion Task Force on sustaining long-term relationships with Renton's diverse communities, especially when it comes to public safety. I'd appreciate your vote.



#### Council Position No. 7

#### Don Persson

Renton WA 98057



Education: Graduate Green River College, Criminal Justice Degree, Graduate F.B.I.

National Academy

Occupation: Retired Renton Police Deputy Chief

Statement: I want to thank the citizens of the City of Renton for allowing me to serve them as a police officer for 33 years and 15 years as a city council member. I will continue to do my best to serve all the citizens of this diverse community. Thank you again for the opportunity to be an integral part of this wonderful city.

Return your completed ballot as early as possible

You can return your ballot at a ballot drop box or through the mail as early as the day you receive it! This helps keep election costs down and allows more time to resolve any issues that may be associated with your signature.



#### **Seattle City Council**

The Seattle City Council is the City's elected legislature. The nine members determine City policy through the enactment of ordinances and the adoption of resolutions. Beginning in 2015, two members of the Council will be elected at-large, and seven will be elected by districts.

The Council adopts the City budget, authorizes public improvements and expenditures, provides for public safety and health, adopts regulations, levies taxes, controls the finances and property of the City and performs many related legislative tasks. The Mayor has the authority to veto ordinances passed by the City Council. But the Council may override a veto by a two-thirds majority vote.

The City Charter provides that City councilmembers must be United States citizens and registered to vote in the City of Seattle for at least 120 days prior to filing the declaration of candidacy through the term of service. For those representing a district, the councilmember must be a resident of that district for at least 120 days prior to filing the declaration of candidacy through the term of service.

#### Working on a Candidate or Ballot Issue Campaign

If you are interested in working on a City candidate or ballot issue campaign, please visit our web site www. seattle.gov/elections for campaign contact information or call us. The ballot issue arguments contained in this Voters' Pamphlet may also contain contact information.

#### **Making Campaign Contributions**

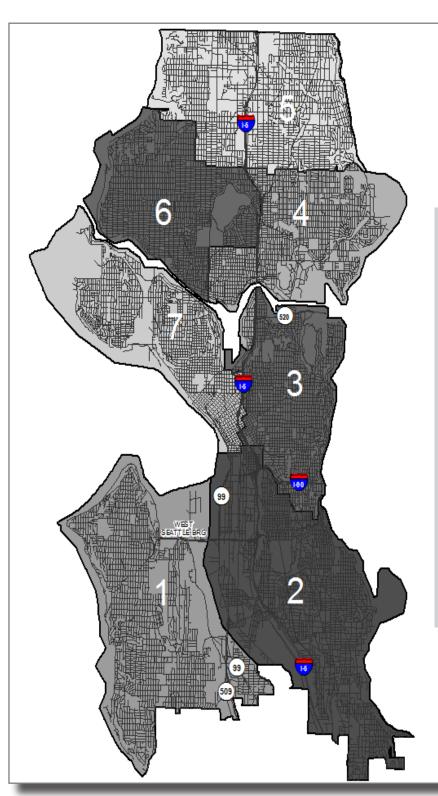
The following City and State regulations apply to campaign contributions for City candidate and City ballot issue committees:

- Committees must collect the name and address of *all* contributors. Contributors who contribute \$25 or less to a campaign can be reported as a lump sum.
- Contributors of more than \$100 to a committee are required to disclose the name, city and state of their employer, and their occupation.
- Committees must report the receipt of both monetary and in-kind contributions.
- Candidate committees have a contribution limit of \$700 per contributor per election cycle. Ballot issue committees do not have contribution limits.
- Committees may not accept cash (currency) contributions of more than \$60. Contributions of more than \$60 in the aggregate must be made by check, money order, or credit card.

#### **Contact Information**

Polly Grow, Campaign Finance Auditor Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission (206) 615-1248 polly.grow@seattle.gov www.seattle.gov/elections

For questions about your ballot and voting, contact King County Elections at www.KingCounty.gov/elections (click on the contact us link) or call (206)296-8683 (VOTE).



#### **City of Seattle District Changes**

In 2013, voters amended the City Charter to change how we elect City Council members. Instead of nine at-large positions, voters now will elect seven members by district, and two at-large (citywide).

In 2015, each voter will be able to vote for three City Council members: one candidate from their district, elected to a four-year term, and two at-large candidates each elected to a two-year term.

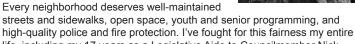
In 2017, the two at-large Council positions will be up for election to four-year terms. City Attorney and Mayor will also be on the ballot that year.

#### Council District No. 1

#### Lisa Herbold

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life, including my 17 years as a Legislative Aide to Councilmember Nick Licata. Before that, I worked as a community organizer – making sure City Hall was listening and being fair.

Only the top 5% of Seattle area earners have seen their wages rebound to prerecession levels. We need more policies to keep Seattle from becoming a place for only the wealthy. Policies like the ones I've worked on with others: paid sick leave for the 190,000 workers without it, the pilot version of LEAD - the award-winning pre-arrest diversion program, and regulations to ensure tenants don't live in unsafe buildings.

I've worked for our community, helping make the South Park Library possible, securing replacement housing for low income High Point residents, and keeping kids safe with more school zone enforcement.

As your Councilmember I'll champion transit expansion and pedestrian safety; cut congestion from long commutes by ensuring development includes truly affordable housing, so our workforce can live here. I'll work to approve **development impact fees to fund our transportation infrastructure**. I'll watchdog the enforcement of our labor laws to ensure that everyone benefits and businesses have a level playing field. I'll work for transparent, accountable policing that is fair.

Seattle PI reporter Joel Connelly said "Herbold has likely forgotten more about Council operations than some members will ever learn." The Stranger said "Virtually anything progressive passed in our city has Lisa Herbold's fingerprints on it... she's encyclopedic on every policy from protecting tenants and helping the poor to serving the homeless and balancing the budget."

I'm the only candidate in the race endorsed by King County Democrats, King County Labor Council, King County Young Democrats, The Stranger, City Attorney Pete Holmes, Councilmember Nick Licata, State Senator Pramila Jayapal, SEIU 6 and 775NW, PTE 17, Ironworkers 86, UFCW 21, American Federation of Teachers WA.

Unlike my opponent, I'm NOT funded by powerful developers, landlords and downtown business interests. They have enough power at City Hall.

I've lived in District 1 for 15 years. My daughter lives here with her family, and her two kids attend Sanislo Elementary. My family, including my husband Bob's two girls, all enjoy the great parks and small businesses that flourish here.

I hope that I've earned your vote.

#### Shannon Braddock

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With your vote I'll be a focused, dedicated voice for West Seattle, South Park and all of our great neighborhoods. Our district, and the families who live here, need and deserve a council member committed to addressing our priorities and reflecting our values.

My family, career and community service is rooted here in District One. I'm the proud mom of three Seattle Public School students. I've served on the boards of WestSide Baby and the West Seattle Food Bank and volunteered in our schools. Professionally, I serve as Chief of Staff to County Councilmember Joe McDermott—addressing local issues from transportation to human services.

I am the *only* candidate endorsed by the civic and progressive leadership of West Seattle, including **County Executive Dow Constantine**, retiring **City Councilmember Tom Rasmussen**, **County Councilmember Joe McDermott** and **State Representatives Eileen Cody and Joe Fitzgibbon**. I'm endorsed by: **34**th **LD Democrats**; unions including SEIU 1199, Plumbers and Pipefitters 32, Laborers 242; **NARAL Pro Choice** Washington; National Women's Political Caucus; Equal Rights Washington; environmental leaders. **I'm the candidate with the highest Municipal League rating**.

Mobility and transportation are the overriding challenges facing our communities and will be the focus of my work. At the County, I've worked to expand RapidRide and Metro, and fund the popular Water Taxi. I'm committed to delivering light rail to West Seattle and a 2016 vote to make this a reality. I'll press for road and bridge funding that improves safety and eases congestion.

**Quality neighborhood schools are critical** to student achievement and help define a great city. I'll be the only council member with kids in our public schools, an important perspective missing on the Council as Seattle continues investing in safe routes to school, health care and nutritional programs, and early learning programs that prepare kids for success.

Affordable new housing that compliments the character of our neighborhoods is essential. By focusing construction in and around multi-family zones, along transit routes and where light rail will be developed, we can be a welcoming home for seniors, young people, low income families, and working people of all ages.

I am excited to serve you—my neighbors—on the City Council. To make progress on our unique local challenges we need leaders committed to our communities, not a narrow political agenda. My track record is rooted in building effective coalitions that get results. I'd be honored to earn your vote!

#### Council District No. 2

#### **Bruce Harrell**

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I ask for your vote. If you live in Beacon Hill,

Chinatown-ID, Columbia City, Georgetown, Lakewood, Mt. Baker, Othello, Rainier Valley, Seward Park, or anywhere else in District 2, I know you want strong public safety, affordable housing and transportation options that move us efficiently and safely. You want parks and open space. Keep me working for you!

In describing our district's needs, the Seattle Times stated that I'm "the most qualified to deal with the district's concerns." The Municipal League of King County and Seattle Metropolitan Elections Committee rated me highest in this race. I'm proud to have the sole endorsement of progressive groups representing over 200,000 nurses, teachers, longshoreman, hospitality, food, and retail workers. As a **proven progressive City Councilmember for eight years,** I will get things done for you!

**Public Safety:** Under my leadership, we recently added 120 officers and will add an additional 100 officers by 2017. We hired a new Police Chief and new command staff to transform the culture of SPD. Major crimes are down -12% citywide and -25% in Southeast Seattle from a year ago, but we can do better. We will open new community police stations closer to your home and implement new Micro-Community policing plans to better serve your neighborhood.

**Transportation:** I've secured over \$30 million in transportation improvement projects for Southeast Seattle and Rainier Valley, with another \$180 million on the way. We're integrating roads, transit, light rail, pedestrian and bike trails by listening to you and PRIORITIZING SAFETY.

Jobs and Education: A technology and opportunity center is on the way! We are investing in our children—I want every child to have access to free preschool and one year of free college. The Principals of Franklin, Cleveland and Rainier Beach High Schools have endorsed me. Education is key; crime goes down when our youth have jobs and a career path.

**Housing:** We'll address the housing crisis by building 10,000 new units in our community—utilizing every tool to protect us from skyrocketing costs. I'm working with Habitat for Humanity to preserve existing homes.

<u>"RE-ELECT BRUCE!"</u> Mayor Ed Murray, KC-Exec. Dow Constantine, Former Exec. Ron Sims, Gary Locke, Congressman Adam Smith, Councilmember Larry Gossett, King County Labor Council, SEIU-775NW, Cascade Bicycle Club, Seattle Firefighters Local-27, NARAL Pro-Choice-WA, and rated "Exceptionally Well Qualified" by the KC Correction Officers Guild. Endorsed by **The Seattle Times**, **TheStranger**, **Seattle Transit Blog**, and thousands more.

#### **Tammy Morales**

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Seattle is poised to be a leader among cities,

but we need consistent progressive leadership to make sure that everyone gets a chance to share in the city's success. I'm a small business owner, neighborhood planner, community activist and mother of three who wants our children to grow up and thrive in safe, vibrant neighborhoods. I've spent the last 15 years building healthy communities throughout District 2 from the International District to Rainier Beach. I've demonstrated my commitment by providing small business assistance to women and immigrant-owned businesses, increasing access to healthy food, and supporting affordable housing development.

For too long, we have let the market dictate what happens to our neighborhoods. The result is that low-wage workers are getting pushed out of our city. We need to ensure that future development aligns with our goals for creating a just, equitable and safe city.

It's hard to imagine our community thriving without solving the challenges involving public safety. This includes hiring more police officers, improving police response times and moving toward community policing. Walking a neighborhood beat is a sure way for officers to improve relations with the community.

It's unacceptable that 240 instances of excessive force were reported by the Justice Department and not one of those officers were fired. Our current city council failed the south end with non-existent leadership on police accountability.

If our communities are going to thrive, we need to protect homeowners and renters from skyrocketing housing costs. As your city council member I'll fight against the forces of displacement and make sure that developers don't run roughshod over our neighborhoods. I'll work to ensure growth happens equitably and balances with the character of our community.

With new city council districts, we have the opportunity for a champion for District 2. If you want a councilmember who will provide consistent, progressive leadership, I ask for your support. If you want someone who will hold regular hours in a district office and provide real leadership reducing crime and holding police accountable, then I ask for your support. If you want real leadership on keeping housing affordable, I want to be your champion and your next councilmember.

Endorsed: Machinists Union, State Representative Zack Hudgins, State Representative Mia Gregerson, Latino PAC, National Women's Political Caucus, Sierra Club, Estela Ortega, Sharon Maeda, Frank Irigon, Pastor Marvin Charles, Rev. Monica Corsaro and many, many others. I ask for your vote.

#### Kshama Sawant

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Like so many of you, I want to live in a city based on social justice. A city free of discrimination and poverty, with racial and gender equality, where all people can work and live in dignity.

But in reality, our city is becoming increasingly unequal and unaffordable.

Since my election in 2013, I have helped lead the opposition to the corporate agenda in Seattle.

Working together with labor and progressive movements, I'm proud of what we have accomplished, including:

- Passed a \$15/hour minimum wage delivering on my campaign promise within five months of taking office
- Alongside tenants and community activists, we defeated 400% rent hikes at Seattle Housing Authority
- Won millions of dollars in additional social services funding
- Passed funding to enable a year-round womens' shelter
- Working together with Councilmember O'Brien, led the way in opposing the anti-worker, anti-environment Trans-Pacific Partnership

In the words of Councilmember Nick Licata, "Without a doubt, Kshama has moved the council in a new direction, more progressive ... Kshama has made things happen that never would have happened before."

Moving forward as your council member, I am committed to:

- Tackling head-on the crisis of skyrocketing rents by making big developers pay to fund affordable housing; ending economic evictions by passing rent control; strengthening tenants' rights; and building thousands of high-quality, city-owned, affordable apartments rented at below-market rates
- Massively expanding public transit
- Taxing the rich to fully fund our social services
- · Implementing municipal broadband

As a representative of working people, I do not take a penny in corporate cash. While Seattle City Councilmembers are paid \$120,000/year, I only take the average worker's wage and donate the rest to social justice movements.

I am proud to be endorsed by King County Councilmember Larry Gossett, State Senator Pramila Jayapal, former Mayor Mike McGinn, and over 30 community organizations and unions, including Sierra Club, *The Stranger, Democracy for America*, Transit Riders Union, UFCW 21, SEIU 775, 1199, 925 and 6, Teamsters 117, 174 and 763, Socialist Alternative, National Women's Political Caucus of WA, and many more.

For too long our government has been dominated by establishment politicians beholden to big business. I will continue to use my position on the City Council to stand up for Seattle's working families. Let's work together to make Seattle affordable for all!

#### Pamela Banks

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"I've spent my career uniting people to address complex problems, making progress on racial and economic justice, fair wages for women, and safe, affordable housing for all. For 20 years, I've called District 3 home, as a community and non-profit volunteer, former President of the Garfield PTSA and CEO of the Seattle Urban League. With your vote, I'll bring our progressive values AND neighborhood priorities to City Hall. We need both if we are to truly move Seattle forward."

**Proven Progressive Leadership:** Pamela Banks began as a community organizer and union member, working in Seattle neighborhoods to ensure city programs reached underserved residents and communities. She has a strong track record of reducing disparities in education, employment, housing and health. We need her dedication and passion working for us in City Hall.

**Affordability For All:** Instead of false promises, Pamela has helped people secure and keep affordable housing as a Board member of Capitol Hill Housing, working with low income homeowners to avoid foreclosure, and managing transitional housing at the Urban League. She understands we need a variety of policies to meet the needs of our community -- from controlling rents to increasing the supply of affordable housing.

**Public Safety Improvements:** Families and businesses need improved police response and involvement, and we must better address crime in all our neighborhoods. A vocal advocate for police reform, Pamela knows that bringing law enforcement closer to the community improves safety and accountability.

**Strong Neighborhood Schools:** Pamela understands the connection between education and opportunity, particularly for youth of color. A single mother, Pamela volunteered at her son's schools and helped build afterschool and athletic programs. Her tenacity improved the lives of youth in District 3, and she will continue to fight for education at City Hall.

**Green, Smart Transportation:** A lifelong environmentalist and transit rider, Pamela understands that bus, rail, bike and pedestrian investments are essential to improving mobility and reducing carbon pollution.

Pamela is proudly endorsed by: The Seattle Times, King County Young Democrats, former Executive Ron Sims, Seattle Councilmember Bruce Harrell, State Representatives Eric Pettigrew, Sharon Tomiko Santos, former Mayors Nickels, Rice, Royer and Uhlman, and Rev. Samuel B. McKinney, Alison Holcomb, Jon Bridge, Ruth Woo and Nate Miles and highest rating in District 3 from the Municipal League of King County.

#### Rob Johnson

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teacher—when a one-income family wasn't automatically priced out of our city. As Katie and I raise our daughters today, we know, like many other young families, that a job loss or illness could force us to leave the city we love.

We want to be part of a Seattle that welcomes working people, young families, low-income workers, and seniors to enjoy our outstanding neighborhoods and quality of life. To make that Seattle a reality, we need leadership in City Hall that can unite us around shared values and vision.

I offer unmatched experience building coalitions that deliver positive, progressive change. As an urban planner and transportation non-profit director, the results of my work are visible in District 4: three light-rail stations opening soon, expanded Metro transit, low-income fares for seniors, students, and working families, pedestrian and bike protections providing safer routes to schools and jobs.

I am proud to have helped negotiate the recent statewide package that will finish 520 replacement—easing the commute for thousands of NE Seattle families— and provide a 2016 vote to expand light-rail.

The strong endorsements I have received reflect my commitment to the issues we face in our neighborhoods, and across Seattle:

Improving Affordability can be achieved by increasing housing supply and stabilizing rents. I'll apply my planning experience to target new and affordable housing near our light-rail stations, along transit lines, and urban villages like the U District where we need quality housing, and more options for students and families.

**Income inequality** threatens the diversity and vitality of our city. Many unions that led the successful \$15 minimum wage effort have endorsed my campaign. I'll bring real focus to gender and racial biases in pay and opportunity.

**Excellent neighborhood schools** are a high priority for every family. As enrollment grows, the city must coordinate with the district to reduce overcrowding, support after-school activities, and make it easier for kids to walk and bike to school.

**Public Safety** is essential. We need more neighborhood-based police officers, faster response times, and improved public trust in our police.

I'm rated "Outstanding" by the Municipal League and am proudly endorsed by Seattle Times, King County Executive Dow Constantine, Rep. Jessyn Farrell, Sharon Maeda, IAM 751, ATU 587, SEIU 925, UFCW 21, Teachers Local 1789, Sierra Club, WA Conservation Voters, Cascade Bicycle Club, and hundreds of our neighbors.

#### Michael Maddux

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appreciate your vote.

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Seattle is becoming too expensive for too many people. The only renter and gay candidate running in this election, with a daughter in Seattle Public Schools, I experience this increasing unaffordability, and know that, together, we can turn this trend around. I'm running for city council to bring bold ideas to do just that, and would

I bring experience connecting homeless youth to shelter and services while working for Planned Parenthood; effectively protecting worker benefits as a UFCW bargaining committee member; serving on the Executive Board of the Democratic Party – helping elect progressive candidates across our region; and am the only candidate in this race with experience overseeing taxpayer dollars as a member of the Parks Levy Oversight Committee. As your council member, I will bring this effective, progressive approach to City Council, working to enact policies that will benefit all residents of the city (especially in our neighborhoods).

An affordable city: I will reach out and work with you on land use decisions, with a commitment to eliminating displacement, ensuring meaningful investments in affordable housing for working families. I'll propose progressive revenue options geared at reducing our city's reliance on regressive taxes and flat fees to fund needed services.

A safe city: Having minimal patrol officers in our district has invited increases in property crime. I will be your voice to ensure the city is serious about public safety, including hiring more police officers, and hiring them from within our communities.

A livable city: I have a successful track record protecting neighborhood parks and increasing investment in community centers. I will translate this into being your effective advocate for safe, walkable neighborhoods that are welcoming to all ages and abilities.

A homegrown economy: I will work to ensure that our education dollars include funding for apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship programs, helping to build a ladder out of poverty, and creating a local workforce to build our city's infrastructure.

Seattle is a great city. As **your** council member, I will collaborate with willing elected officials to pass progressive policies, while partnering with you on what our growth will look like, keeping Seattle great! I am proudly endorsed by **The Stranger**, Transit Rider's Union, **Speaker Frank Chopp**, Reps. Brady Walkinshaw & Gerry Pollet, **NARAL**, Equal Rights Washington, **Sharon Lee**, Danni Askini, **Cheryl Stumbo**, 46th District & King County Young Democrats, and many others. I ask for your vote.

#### Debora Juarez

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Occupation: Attorney

I'm running for Seattle City Council to be a voice for North Seattle, a place I've been proud to call my **home** for over **25 years**. I have dedicated my life to fighting for fairness, justice, and economic opportunity, and I stepped into this race to **right** the **wrong** of the North End's **underrepresentation** at City Hall.

I grew up in a union household on the Puyallup Reservation, where I learned early on the value of hard work and the importance of community. As a public defender representing low-income individuals and as a King County Superior Court Judge, I committed myself to working for **fairness** and **justice** under the law.

While working as a legal and policy advisor for Governors Mike Lowry and Gary Locke, I advocated for greater economic **opportunity** for underserved communities. As an attorney at a major Seattle law firm and as a certified financial expert, I helped plan and build hospitals, parks, low-income housing, and community centers, all the while creating sustainable public and private sector jobs.

While my professional accomplishments are a source of pride, I am even more proud of my two daughters. I raised my family in North Seattle, where I have lived for more than **twenty-five years** as both a homeowner and a renter.

I will use my proven track record of **effective** and passionate **advocacy** to strengthen and invest in our community by:

- Improving housing affordability and increasing transportation options
- Building economic opportunity in North Seattle
- Standing up for a just society by enhancing public safety and improving police accountability

Throughout my personal and professional life I have fought for a just society, a fair economy, and strong communities where our families can thrive. I respectfully ask for your vote. Let's build a North Seattle where we all can succeed together in **life**, **work**, and **play**.

I am proudly endorsed by: King County Democrats, *The Seattle Times, The Stranger*, 32nd Legislative District Democrats, National Women's Political Caucus, International Association of Machinists 751, Pacific Northwest Regional Council of Carpenters, Equal Rights Washington, Senator John McCoy, Senator Claudia Kauffman, Justice Faith Ireland (WA State Supreme Court – Retired), King County Councilmember Larry Gossett, Seattle City Councilmember Bruce Harrell, Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, Snoqualmie Tribe, Tulalip Tribes

#### Sandy Brown

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Thank you for your support in the August
Primary! Having personally knocked on over 10,000 District 5 doors and
holding countless conversations with D5 neighbors, I'm ready to be your
advocate in City Hall.

The Seattle Area has been my home for over four decades. I'm running because I want the very best for my hometown and the people I love. I'm a UW graduate and was raised in a working class family in White Center. My Mexican-American mother graduated from college in her forties and my father spent his career as a Machinist at Boeing. As Seattle grows and changes, our policies must show respect for diversity and hard work.

District 5 needs a coalition builder with dedication and integrity who can make government work for people. My record proves that's what I do. I've co-founded the Committee to End Homelessness, reduced gun violence through last year's successful gun background check initiative, built schools and educational programs as a school board director, and advocated for women's rights and working families.

My record of service has earned the broadest support in this race: Mayor Ed Murray, State Senator David Frockt, 46th Democrats, WA Federation of Teachers, police, Equal Rights WA, progressive unions SEIU and UFCW, King County Labor Council, and residents across North Seattle.

Representing YOU on the City Council, I will put that experience to work:

**Smarter Growth:** We need more affordable housing options while preserving our unique and proud neighborhoods. We must focus growth in areas like Northgate and downtown Lake City while coordinating density with access to transit, jobs, education and services.

**Improved Public Safety:** We need to prevent property crimes and improve police response times. We must hire more officers and ensure they are properly trained and deployed.

**Better Transportation:** We must carefully oversee implementation of light rail in North Seattle while improving bus service to our neighborhoods. We need sidewalks on North Seattle arterials so we can walk safely to schools, parks and retail districts.

**Targeted Neighborhood Investments:** I'll work for vital local priorities like the 130th NE public beach, responsible stormwater management in Broadview, parks in underserved NE Seattle, and a vibrant community center for Lake City.

Together we can make North Seattle a great place to live, work and play. I would be humbled to serve you, and ask for your vote.

#### Mike O'Brien

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sustainability, affordability, and economic and cultural vitality. I envision a city where smart policies ensure that all families can afford to live here; where children get a great public education; where everyone, regardless of zip code, feels safe in their communities; and where there are great jobs and opportunities in every neighborhood. I'm excited about the new district system and the opportunity to work closer with you to ensure every voice in District 6 is heard.

Prior to joining Council in 2010, I spent 10 years as the chief financial officer at a local law firm where I oversaw budgeting, financial reporting, and forecasting for a \$10 million business. I was also chair of the Sierra Club and a volunteer activist for over a decade before entering office fighting climate change and supporting public transit.

Here's what I'm focused on:

**Creating jobs:** Supporting local hire provisions that will provide access to family-wage jobs on public works projects for Seattle residents who are out of work.

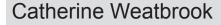
Ensuring transportation options: Championing a reliable transportation system connecting our diverse neighborhoods—including using my position as Sound Transit Board Member to work for a Sound Transit 3 plan that includes new rail lines for Ballard and West Seattle. Now more than ever we need to prioritize transit, expand alternative modes of transportation and improve the condition of our existing roads.

**Protecting our environment:** Adopting some of the most aggressive greenhouse gas reduction targets for a city in the world, and leading the fight against dangerous oil trains and Shell Oil's Arctic drilling plans.

**Housing options for all:** Continuing work to expand access to housing and services for our neighbors experiencing homelessness through my innovative Road to Housing program and leading the Council effort to adopt a new affordable housing linkage fee to ensure new development doesn't displace long-term or lower-income residents.

I've been endorsed by the 43rd &  $46^{\rm th}$  District Democrats, SEIU Locals 775, 925 and 6, UFCW Local 21, IAM 751, IBEW 77, Sierra Club, and Cascade Bicycle Club.

I believe that if we focus on the right priorities, we can create a city where everyone has an opportunity to succeed and enjoy all that helps make Seattle the best place to live. I ask for your vote to represent you for District 6.



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Seattle is changing quickly, impacting how we live, work, and move around. For many it means struggling to afford living here, increased violent crime, more traffic congestion, and continued income gaps.

We can create more affordable housing without bulldozing our neighborhoods and handing over control and profits to out of area investors who destroy 400 affordable units each year. We can make sure that with development and well planned density, comes much needed infrastructure like better roads, water, power, improved transit and walkability, safer bike routes, cleaner parks, and enough schools. We can do better for our vulnerable populations. The current City Council has relied on levy increases for already struggling homeowners, rather than considering developer impact fees.

Affordable housing is in part, an income and transportation issue. Our current city council has turned it's back on middle income jobs. Longer commute times from more affordable areas to the jobs, increase both pollution and the price of housing in the heart of our city.

Our police staffing levels are stuck in the 1970's. Emergency calls are increasingly mental health and drug related, and we need to change our strategies, services, and staffing to address today's reality.

We can and must do better for everyone, and I believe that together we can. Starting with understanding your concerns, I want to be your champion at City Hall, and make Seattle a more inclusive and more livable city for everyone.

I have been active in community projects including parks and playgrounds, improved designs for neighborhoods and business areas, preserving community arts space before gentrification forced the arts out, community led emergency preparedness and response training, advocating to fix the Ballard rain garden problems, improving road and sewer projects, and held leadership positions in over ten community and city wide organizations in the past twenty years.

I have a proven track record of getting things done in our communities and I want to bring that to city hall.

Ratings: Municipal League rating Good, NARAL rated Pro-Choice

Endorsed by: State Representative Gael Tarleton, State Senator Rosemary McAuliffe, Green Party of Seattle, Livable Ballard, Tom Malone, Rob Mattson, Rental Housing Association, Seattle Hotel and Restaurant Associations, and many other residents.

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Sally Bagshaw's strength is bringing people of differing points of view together to solve complex problems. She seeks common ground. She builds coalitions. She governs through hard work. Sally stands up for what she believes and she gets things done.

Determination and steady competence have earned Sally broad support from business owners, labor unions, transportation advocates, women's coalitions, human service leaders and environmental groups. She has the dedicated support of hundreds of friends and neighbors. See the full list of endorsements at sallybagshaw.com.

Prior to joining the City Council in 2010, Sally was the Chief Civil Deputy for King County Prosecuting Attorney Norm Maleng. Sally raised two sons through the Shoreline public schools while pursuing her legal career.

Sally has been a committed volunteer for kids, schools, and those who are homeless. She and her husband Brad have lived Downtown in District 7 for fifteen years.

#### **PRIORITIES:**

- **GETTING AROUND**: Sally's goal is to relieve traffic congestion so we can all get around. She knows a coordinated transportation network is required to address the needs of those who drive cars, trucks, and walk or ride bikes. She is a champion for Neighborhood Greenways creating safer streets throughout our city.
- PUBLIC SAFETY: She advocates for a renewed police department that reduces crime while preserving our civil rights; she was an early supporter of the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program that offers alternatives to jail for those ready for a fresh start.
- PARKS: She oversaw and led the voter-approved measure to create stable, well-maintained parks for our grandchildren and us.
- **EDUCATION**: Sally is a dedicated supporter of our public school programs from pre-K through technical apprenticeships and college/university.
- HOUSING AND HUMAN SERVICES: She protects our most vulnerable. She has obtained funding for coordinated emergency services and advocates for 24-hour shelters.

Endorsements: Rated OUTSTANDING by the Municipal League, Sally has been endorsed by both The Stranger and the Seattle Times. She is endorsed by dozens of regional leaders including Mayor Ed Murray and King County Executive Dow Constantine, and by organizations including Seattle Firefighters, Aerospace Machinists Union, Washington Conservation Voters, Cascade Bicycle Club, the National Women's Political Caucus, the Civic Alliance for a Sound Economy (CASE), Building and Construction Trades and the King County Democrats. More at www.SallyBagshaw.com.

#### **Deborah Zech-Artis**

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I am asking for your vote so we can get these important things done. Regarding City Council:

- Make all negotiations recorded and become public record prior to any vote: no more backroom deals.
- Have the City Council meet in the communities on a regular basis.
- Equal time for citizens and businesses to testify before the council
- Review all legislation passed or rejected since November 2014. (Our current City Council rushed through legislation without Councilors personally reading it.)

Regarding traffic management:

- Replace the Magnolia Bridge immediately.
- Make public transportation more convenient and timely to reduce auto traffic.
- Reduce parking fees and reduce parking ticket costs. (This should not be a fundraiser for the city. It should control the amount of time parking spots are used so more people can do business in downtown and in neighborhoods.)

Regarding social services and burdens:

- Work with King County Assessor to mitigate property taxes for senior citizens, low-income homeowners, and disabled citizens.
- Shift the tax burden towards those who can best afford it.
- Reduce the number of people depending on homeless camps by finding appropriate housing and other necessary services
- Decentralize human services and make them more accessible in the various city districts
- Re-establish the Neighborhood Service Centers and increase the services. Re-establish magistrate services.

Regarding urban planning:

- Review the Mayor's land use proposal, utilizing public input.
- Review urban villages in conjunction with transit and our growing Sound Transit system.

Regarding law enforcement:

Continue police reform and increase the number of officers.

Continue to promote the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program.

License all bicycles. (This will eliminate anonymous riders and will aid in recovering stolen property.)

This is just the beginning. All of these items have been brought before me by you; the voters. I am determined to get these issues dealt with. I will build common ground and consensus with the Council and Mayor. My strength is in listening, identifying problems and solutions, in getting things done. The Mayor is already talking about increasing the urgency of the Magnolia Bridge replacement. My opponent, a longtime resident of Seattle, and many others are now paying attention to the waterfront business. These are all issues I focused on during the primary, and I have already made an impact. Help me continue making impacts and improve Seattle. Please vote for me. Thank you.

#### **Tim Burgess**

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Seattle is a dynamic, diverse, fast-growing city. Yet many of our neighbors are falling behind, undermining the qualities that make Seattle an inclusive community and a great place to live.

This election is about leadership, experience and the ability to get good things done. And that's why a broad spectrum of unions, environmentalists, transit advocates, civil rights and neighborhood leaders have endorsed my campaign. They know me and my work on your behalf.

I was lead negotiator of our **Paid Sick Leave Law** so workers can care for themselves and their families. I chaired the progressive Council that passed our **nation-leading \$15 minimum wage**, and was prime sponsor of the critically important **Seattle Preschool Program**, approved by nearly 70% of our voters. I led the effort to fully fund the **Nurse Family Partnership**, a proven home visitation program the *New York Times* calls America's best anti-poverty program.

In transportation, we charted a path to the largest increase in Metro transit service in our history that will ease congestion and crowded buses. I'm committed to **expanding light rail to Ballard and West Seattle**.

My legislation in 2013 started a process that led to comprehensive recommendations in how we provide more affordable housing, including a mandatory fee on development and mandatory provision of affordable housing. These are bold changes to increase affordability and equity citywide while targeting density near transit, light rail, and in our urban villages.

We are **improving our police force** through stronger accountability measures, additional and better-trained officers, and an excellent Chief of Police who shares our values. And we recently passed my **gun violence tax** and **mandatory reporting of lost or stolen firearms**.

I love my job and the good work I'm able to do to help make Seattle a stronger, more nurturing city. As a lifelong resident who raised my family here, I want to keep working hard for ALL our families and communities. I hope to receive your trust and your vote.

Because of my progressive record of leadership, my re-election is endorsed by Mayor Ed Murray, County Executive Dow Constantine, Seattle Fire Fighters Local 27, SEIU 775 and 1199, the King County Labor Council, Washington Conservation Voters, Cascade Bicycle Club, CASE, IFPTE Local 17, Aerospace Machinists 751, Unite HERE Local 8, Seattle Times, and neighborhood leaders across Seattle. The Municipal League awarded me their highest rating of OUTSTANDING.

Together, let's keep building a great city.

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I'm running because I believe we could lose the gains made from raising the \$15 minimum wage and paid sick leave legislation if our housing costs continue to skyrocket.

In my time as Executive Director of the Tenants Union, I doubled its operating budget, opened new offices across Seattle and the State, tripled the people served, and advanced successful campaigns to expand tenants' rights. These campaigns included passing stronger protections for domestic violence survivors, expanding affordable housing subsidies to low income families, fighting off economic evictions, and negotiating with the rental industry to expand tenant protections in state law. I would use my position on Council to bring the needed urgency to keep Seattle affordable.

Here's my priorities:

Accountable Policing: I'm ready to work with the new police chief to ensure all our neighborhoods are safe. At the same time, we still hear too many reports of excessive force followed by weak disciplinary action even in clear cases. We must have a police force that is accountable in cases of police brutality, and accountable to our neighborhoods. This starts with increased civilian oversight to investigate police misconduct with greater impartiality, and fully implementing the recommendations of the Community Police Commission.

**Ensuring Affordable Housing:** I'll be a strong advocate for mandating that developers build more affordable housing through inclusionary zoning and require the maximum development fees so that the private sector pays its fair share for affordability. The City Council has simply been too cozy with developers at our expense. I'll be a leader on this issue, and fight to push Olympia for local authority to limit rent hikes.

**Putting People First:** Seattle's new district elections are an exciting opportunity for grassroots democracy to flourish, but too many elected leaders are swayed against community interests by wealthy campaign contributions. I have pledged to not accept any campaign contribution from any big developers so voters know I stand with them.

I have lived throughout Seattle; Beacon Hill, Greenwood, Georgetown, Wedgewood, Columbia City, and currently live in the Brighton neighborhood in South Seattle. If you believe we can do more to improve policing, make housing affordable and make city government more responsive to constituents, I ask for your support and your vote.

**Endorsements:** The Stranger, Representative Gerry Pollet, 46<sup>th</sup>, 34<sup>th</sup>, 32<sup>nd</sup>, District Democrats, King County Young Democrats, SEIU 925, UFCW 21, UAW 4121, Transit Riders Union, Seattle Green Party, Tim Harris, Dustin Washington.

#### Lorena Gonzalez

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Civil rights attorney and former Mayoral advisor Lorena González grew up working with her family as migrant farm workers in the Yakima Valley, earning her first paycheck as an 8 year old.

A lifelong commitment to hard work, a passion for fairness, and belief in the power of education have shaped Lorena's progressive values and service to the people of Seattle.

As a civil rights attorney for over 10 years, Lorena represented women, older workers, low-wage workers, and people of color in police misconduct, wage theft, and gender discrimination cases. Recently, she helped implement Seattle's historic \$15 minimum wage, establish local hiring preferences, and implement police reforms.

She is past President of OneAmerica, the State's largest immigrant and civil rights organization, served on the Seattle Police Accountability Review Panel, and on the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission.

Lorena will use her skills and experience to address the challenges facing our City.

- The Affordability Crisis: Lorena will build a real plan to dramatically increase affordable housing options, targeting rent levels that meet the needs of our workforce, low-income families and people living paycheck-to-paycheck. She will promote density in transit rich areas to reduce commute costs, environmental impacts and other living expenses.
- Strong & Safe Communities: Lorena will bolster public safety in our neighborhoods through investments in improved policing strategies, mental health funding, and wrap-around services for our kids to help them stay active—and out of harm's way.
- Addressing Social Inequities: A proven advocate for those left behind or treated unfairly, Lorena will tackle gender pay equity and the growing wage gap to ensure people from all walks of life have a shot at their dreams.
- Investing in Transportation: Lorena knows we need transportation options that work for all: pedestrian safety, bike lanes, increased bus service, light rail expansion, and help for weary commuters.
- Great Public Schools: Passionate for helping kids thrive, Lorena
  will build stronger partnerships with our schools to assure City Pre-K,
  after-school programs, tutors, healthcare and other services are
  available and funded. We MUST address the opportunity gap to have
  a great school district.

Lorena is supported by: The Seattle Times, The Stranger, County Executive Dow Constantine, Mayor Ed Murray, King County Democrats, Five District Democrat Organizations, King County Labor Council, Seattle Police and Fire Unions, Sierra Club, Cascade Bike, NARAL Pro-Choice WA, Equal Rights WA, OneAmerica Votes, and progressive leaders throughout Seattle.

#### Bill Bradburd

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Seattle is growing, and it's changing fast. But it's quickly becoming a city that is great to live in *only if you can afford it*. I live in the Central District with my wife and two daughters who attend Seattle Public Schools. As a business consultant, and Chair of the Seattle Neighborhood Coalition and community activist with more than a decade of experience organizing and representing citizen interests at City Hall, I have the demonstrated leadership, experience and vision to address the issues before us. *Let's Make Growth and Seattle's Government Work for All:* 

- Empower neighborhoods to define how they grow. Growth and change is something we should plan and shape together; it should not simply happen to us
- Ensure growth is supported with superior transit, complete amenities and services, and quality neighborhood public schools that have adequate capacity
- Ensure our police serve and protect, and bad cops are held accountable (#BlackLivesMatter!)
- Ensure our tax money is spent wisely and fairly throughout the city
- Make development pay its fair share, and end favoritism to special interests
- Use City resources to build truly affordable housing, including for families and the homeless
- Give voice to all residents and people marginalized by City bureaucracies

Experience that Matters and Courage to Stand Up for our Neighborhoods and Small Businesses:

- Led the fight to stop a big box mall in Little Saigon, protecting 270+ small businesses at the heart of the region's Vietnamese
- Defeated backroom deal to put corporate logos on our downtown skyline
- Organized neighborhoods to force the city to properly regulate micro-housing
- Quashed developer-giveaway that would have commercialized Magnuson Park
- Helped mediate between human service providers and concerned citizens to bring needed social services into Seattle's Central District
- Helped lead the creation of Charter Amendment 19 creating District Elections for city council, and empowering citizens to obtain greater accountability

I am endorsed by State Senator Maralyn Chase, Representatives Gerry Pollet and Gael Tarleton, the 32<sup>nd</sup>, 34<sup>th</sup>, 43<sup>rd</sup> and 46<sup>th</sup> Legislative District Democrats, King County Democrats, Metropolitan Democratic Club, Green Party of Seattle, and more than one hundred community leaders, including Bob Santos, Jim Diers, Tandy Williams, Alice Woldt, David Okimoto, Yusuf Kabdi, and Norman Sigler. It's time to *Take Back Seattle* from special interests, and prioritize our families, our small businesses and our neighborhoods. I will be your voice on Council, not beholden to the Mayor, developers or

downtown interests.

#### Jessica Cafferty

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Education: Master's Degree in Public Administration, UW Evans School, Bachelor's

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Occupation: Leadership Program Manager, Women's Funding Alliance Statement: From my work as an early childhood educator, to caring for my aging grandmother and as a nonprofit professional, I have always been committed to my community and a voice for those who needed it most. I believe we have a responsibility to ensure everyone in Shoreline is able

I will stand up for 1) smart, sustainable growth that reflects the needs of current and future residents, 2) safe, walkable neighborhoods with affordable housing, 3) transit solutions that help us get to and from work safely and on time.

Not only that, but I will also be a strong voice for economic equity and a champion for all Shoreline families.

I am proudly endorsed by Mayor Shari Winstead, Councilmember Will Hall, Rep. Ruth Kagi, King County Young Democrats, NARAL Pro-Choice Washington, Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest, International Association of Aerospace Machinists and the National Women's Political Caucus of Washington.

#### Keith Scully

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Education: J.D., New York University; M.A., Tufts University; B.A., UCLA; Paramedic

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Occupation: Attorney focused on intellectual property, civil rights, and environmental protection.

Statement: As Shoreline's planning commission chair, I've listened carefully to our citizens and worked hard to make Shoreline great. I'm committed to neighborhood protection, affordable housing, and cautious, sensible growth.

I'm running for city council because I want Shoreline to remain an amazing community. We should provide essential services first and keep taxes fair and reasonable.

As a parent, I understand safe streets mean more sidewalks, streetlights, and safe road crossings. As a former prosecutor, I know the importance of expanded police patrols and neighborhood watch programs. I'm dedicated to environmental protection and keeping our Puget Sound clean. I'm honored to have broad bipartisan and community support, including Shoreline's Firefighters and Police Guilds, 32nd district and King County Democrats, Conservation Voters, labor unions, Senator Chase, Representatives Ryu, Fitzgibbon, and Tarleton, Sheriff Urquhart, Shoreline councilmembers, other elected officials, and, most importantly, so many fellow Shoreline residents who encouraged me to run.





#### Council Position No. 4

#### **Doris McConnell**

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Education: B.S. Psychology, Washington

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Occupation: Property Manager, Shoreline City Councilmember **Statement:** Shoreline has seen significant growth since the formation of our city in 1995. The new Council will be making critical decisions that will determine the long-term direction of our future growth, especially Point

Wells and the light rail rezoning decision.

I have listened when the community requested that the Council preserve as much of our neighborhoods' single-family homes as possible, during our last rezoning decision. The community said that increased density is necessary for growth, however *smart growth* includes the preservation of our neighborhoods and the quality of life Shoreline residents love. My voting record has supported this balance of preserving neighborhoods with future growth.

You deserve a council member whose vision for Shoreline matches yours. Thank you for the privilege of representing Shoreline. Please get out and

Endorsements: National Women's Political Caucus-WA. King County Democrats, KC Councilmember Rod Demboski, Ken and Pearl Noreen, and former Councilmember Rich Gustafson.



#### Jesse Salomon

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**Occupation:** Shoreline City Councilmember and King County Public Defender **Statement:** Last election I asked for your vote to keep Shoreline moving forward. Since then I've helped *grow our economy, protect our environment, reduce traffic, and promote equity and public safety* by:

Preparing for impacts of Shoreline's two light rail stations by planning walkable communities, minimizing disruption and increasing property values in affected neighborhoods; supporting the farmer's market; attracting a Trader Joe's; funding sidewalks and affordable housing; fighting the ill-considered Point Wells development; analyzing city budgets to cut waste; funding our senior center; supporting paid sick leave for low wage workers; increasing salmon habitat and reducing carbon emissions.

I ask your continued support to keep Shoreline moving forward.

Endorsements: Shoreline Mayor Shari Winstead; Shoreline Councilmembers
Chris Eggen, Will Hall, Keith McGlashan; State Representative Ruth Kagi;
Attorney General Bob Ferguson; County Sheriff John Urquhart; County
Councilmember Rod Dembowski; Seattle Mayor Ed Murray; King County Labor
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Occupation: Law Enforcement, Supervisor; Certified Law Enforcement Instructor Statement: Shoreline is facing massive over-development because of actions taken by our City Council. City Hall's radical rezones have spawned citizen lawsuits and threaten to displace thousands of residents.

Our future is best planned together.

Rail projects should serve neighborhoods and increase mobility, not destroy them and create gridlock.

Growth should be reasonably phased so that urban services can keep up without unfair taxpayer subsidies and small business fees.

Our parks, natural areas, and vistas, need not be destroyed in the name of progress.

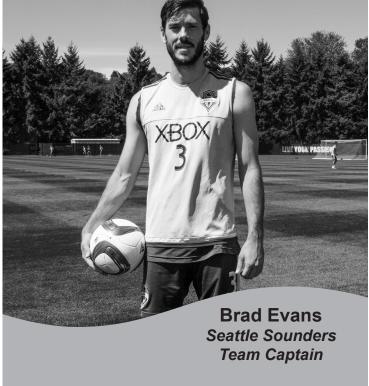
We must maintain excellent police services as we grow.

This election is our best chance to stop the radical rezones and respect the wishes of residents and local businesses.

Let's stand together! I appreciate your vote!

Endorsements: King County Democrats, 32 District Democrats, Senator Maralyn Chase, Representative Cindy Ryu, Former Governor Mike Lowry, Former KC Executive Ron Sims, Donn Charnley, Krista Tenney





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E-Commerce Emphasis; Journeyman Machinist; Vocational Instructor's Certificate; Certified Commissioner

Occupation: Retired Boeing Manufacturing Engineer, Systems Analyst, and Computer Programmer

Statement: I'm returning to the SeaTac Council to restore economic responsibility and ethics. When I was on the City Council I opposed raising taxes. Since then the current Council majority has increased spending, raised property taxes, and imposed a 6% utility tax. Now they're planning franchise

fees on seven water and sewer districts. These increases will harm our residents, unless we replace two more incumbents and reverse the damage next year.

During my previous Council term I became acquainted with SeaTac operations, so I know we can provide more and better service while also lowering taxes.

For several years SeaTac citizens have wanted greater city transparency, yet the current Council majority persists with secret meetings. I support openness and adopting a city Code of Ethics.

I have the experience to make needed changes and the desire to serve again. I ask for your vote to return me to your City Council.

#### Craiq Baker

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Education: Whatcom Community College;

Washington State University

Occupation: IT Manager; Digital Communications Chairman

Statement: For years I've watched political wrangling in SeaTac, but I've finally had enough! We are being taxed to death and the City Council doesn't listen to us. I'm getting involved to return our city to the people.

It's time to remove the 'rubber stamp' majority who currently approve measures without independent thought or open discussion. Citizens deserve transparency, accountability, financial responsibility and non-partisanship from their council representatives. Council members have limited impact alone, but with a new council majority, focused on improving the city, we all win. Carefully consider the other candidates you vote for in SeaTac. Bring the voice of the city back to the people, the citizens need to be allowed back into their government. Additionally, we need a City Code of Ethics!

I'm a candidate with a focus on community first. There's still work to be done replacing the unaccountable incumbents, career politicians and those they support.





#### Peter Kwon

Council Position No. 3

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Education: Associate's in Network Services and Computing Systems, Bellevue Community

College, University of Washington Occupation: Systems Engineer

Statement: I have lived in the Puget Sound area for over 25 years and I am a proud homeowner in SeaTac. I care deeply about our city and want to make SeaTac the safest and most livable city for all its residents. Encouragement from neighbors has fueled my desire to run for City Council.

As a true non-partisan, I have bi-partisan support and endorsement from local businesses, neighbors, and community leaders. I believe we need to keep our local issues free from outside influence or special interest groups and to maintain our independence.

I will listen to you and work for a transparent, accountable, accessible, and responsible local government. I will represent your interests in improving safety, reducing crime, involving the community, improving infrastructure, promoting jobs, and implementing a city code of ethics.

I would be honored to represent you and will serve with passion and dedication to make SeaTac extraordinary!



#### Sally Andrews

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Education: Master's degree - Linguistics; Bachelor's degree - Education (member, Education

Honor Society)

Occupation: Paralegal, Burien, WA

Statement: SeaTac is ready for a new councilmember.

Sally Andrews is endorsed by respected community leaders and thousands of our

SeaTac native, Congressman Adam Smith: "Sally's strong leadership skills will serve SeaTac well."

King County Councilmember Dave Upthegrove: "Sally is hardworking, capable and committed."

Sally's profession as a paralegal brings us legal and policy expertise:

"Our city needs transportation choices and gathering places for us. I'll champion public transit, building more sidewalks and completing trail extensions."

Sally's training as an educator gives residents an articulate, respected

"I've met with each community-Bow Lake, McMicken, Riverton Heights, Angle Lake. They agree. Enhanced police patrols, better code compliance and a receptive City Hall will create a cohesive, trusting community."

Sally's volunteer experience benefits the community:

"Service to Hospitality House-our local women's shelter, and Highline Food Bank is part of who I am. Now, I hope to serve you."

Vote Sally for SeaTac!



#### Michael Siefkes

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Education: Bachelor's Degree from the University of Washington and Law Degree and

MBA from KU

**Occupation:** General Practice Attorney for fourteen years currently in Normandy Park

Statement: As a long time SeaTac resident and former SeaTac city councilmember I am concerned about the direction the city has taken. SeaTac will collect over \$36 million in taxes this year, yet my opponent voted for a 6% utility tax hike. The budget is out of control and the benefits of those taxes do not reach the residents.

My opponent has supported excluding the public from council committee meetings, including the budget committee meetings where they deliberated on raising our taxes.

You deserve an honest and open city council, who understands the impact that city hall decisions have on our lives. As an Attorney, Small Business Owner, Husband and Father I do understand and I'm committed to ensuring that your tax money is used wisely and that your taxes go toward improving your neighborhoods.

I ask for your vote because I can best represent you at city hall.

#### Dave Bush

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Education: Kent Meridian HS, Olympic Jr. College and Central Washington State

University

Occupation: Real Estate Broker

Statement: It has been a privilege representing you on the SeaTac City Council the past 4 years; I would be honored to receive your vote again this year.

Dave has served our community with hard work and distinction for over 20 years. Dave brings the same commitment, skills and discipline developed in the Marine Corp and his business career to his role on City Council. He has proven his dedication to the success of our children through his leadership in our community as Tyee PTSA President, past member of Highline Schools Foundation, YMCA Board and President of Rotary Club.

Dave provides leadership and balance on the Council focusing on results, not politics. He is a strong advocate for Code Compliance to provide a cleaner, healthier and safer environment for our families and community. He actively works for new development which will bring good jobs to our community. Please vote for Dave.



#### **Council Position No. 7**

#### Erin A. Sitterley

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Education: Bachelor of Science, University of Washington; Master of Arts, University of

Occupation: Speech Language Pathologist

Statement: Government belongs to the people. Elected leaders are public servants, and in this spirit, I humbly request your vote.

Trust in our council has declined, its members ignoring accountability, civility and our community. The current council majority disregards citizen input, conducts the people's business in near secrecy and places outside agendas far above the interests and needs of their constituents. You deserve better.

I am a servant leader, responsive and committed to the well-being of our city. I will work to rebuild safe, livable neighborhoods and restore competence, credibility and transparency to our council. I will critically examine spending, eliminate waste and seek savings. The rubber stamp approach to governance will be replaced with true collaboration and open dialogue. A 26 year resident and homeowner, I desire to serve my community through fair and focused leadership. I need your vote to return an open, honest council to our city.



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Education: B.A. University of Washington; A.A. Highline College

Occupation: State Representative; Public Policy Advocate

Statement: Mia Gregerson, our home-town representative, is a regionally recognized award-winning leader. Her thoughtful, effective listening style, and her focus on basics, has gotten results for us.

As our Mayor, Mia negotiated with Sound Transit to extend light rail to South 200th. Expanded parking, a Des Moines Creek Trail connection, and re-vitalization of the area will also result.

Mia has been a tireless advocate, resulting in pro-active code compliance and community ambassadors to city hall. Healthy clean, safe neighborhoods are the priority.

Representing us at the National Level, Mia brought home one of only fourteen Smart Growth America grants that will provide technical assistance for communities around our light rail stations.

"Four generations of my family have called SeaTac home. As a life-long resident, my passion is rooted in my love for our community. Expressing that, through public service to you, is my honor."

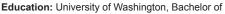




#### Mayor

#### De'Sean Quinn

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Arts, Political Science

Occupation: Water Quality Planner/Project Manager III, King County Natural

Resources

Statement: I'm excited to bring my experience and passion for Tukwila to create a prosperous future where every resident feels included. We're in the perfect location with the right economic resources to ensure Tukwila is a regional leader with a strong sense of community. Together, we can make this happen.

Over 11 years in public service - seven on Tukwila's Council - I've worked to help every resident find opportunities to thrive while protecting our tax dollars. As budget chair, I've crafted fiscally-responsible budgets investing \$400,000 more for public safety while supporting neighborhoods, and expanding parks programs.

My vision includes:

Expanding community policing.

Bringing quality development on Tukwila International Boulevard.

Increasing transportation options, especially sidewalks.

I ask for your vote.

Endorsed: 11th District Democrats, Machinist's Union, Former County Councilmember Julia Patterson, County Councilmember Dave Upthegrove, Sen. Bob Hasegawa, Rep. Zack Hudgins, Rep. Steve Bergquist and many more.

#### Allan Ekberg

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Education: M.B.A. University of Phoenix; B.S. Computer Information Systems; A.A.S. Criminal Justice

Occupation: Private sector technology consultant, Senior Project Manager; **USAF** Veteran

Statement: 15-year Tukwila Councilmember, Foster graduate, and lifetime resident; Allan Ekberg is genuinely committed to Tukwila and its residents. He will lead City government with a passion that puts residents first ensuring the special interests are us.

Allan is committed to *Tukwila priorities:* elevating the focus on neighborhoods; improving public safety; inspiring a customer service focused City Hall; partnering with schools to support education; and managing resources wisely.

Allan will actively engage community members to resolve issues affecting them. His 25 years of community service include leading a citizen effort to save residential neighborhoods, plus serving 7-years on the Tukwila Planning Commission.

With 30 years of private sector senior management experience running multimillion dollar projects, Allan has the skills and abilities to lead the City.

Allan is not a career bureaucrat obligated to regional interests, nor wants higher office. He's one of us. Tukwila is priority one.

Vote local; vote Ekberg.





#### Council Position No. 2

#### Kathy Hougardy

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Education: Bachelor of Science, Western Washington State University

Occupation: Community Volunteer, City Councilmember

Statement: I have had the honor of serving Tukwila as a City Councilmember since 2008. My focus has included reducing crime and increasing safety in residential areas; sidewalk construction and road improvements; pro-active code enforcement; and nurturing a sense of community in our neighborhoods. I have the experience and the relationships with local, county and state leaders to advocate for Tukwila on key regional issues such as transportation and economic development.

I am a long-time block watch captain, and a community and school volunteer. On the City Council I have brought common sense solutions to difficult problems and strive to make the most of your hard earned tax dollars. My priorities have always been to improve our quality of life; balancing the needs of community and business, to keep our city strong. I ask for your vote to continue this important work.



#### **Dennis Robertson**

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Education: Master of Business Administration and a Bachelor Degree in Economics from the University of Washington

Occupation: Retired Boeing Manager; 20 years on the Tukwila City Council

**Statement:** Goals: Provide good Police, Fire and Aid services -- Protect our neighborhoods -- continue to eliminate crime ridden properties and slum housing -- ensure a long term, balanced city budget.

History: Married 43 years, lived 40 of those years in our Tukwila home. Karen and I raised two children and are loving four grandchildren. I served our nation in the United States Air Force.

Commitment: Thank you for your confidence in the past. Upon re-election I promise to bring experience, passion, hard work, and an independent voice to my Council Member task. All I seek is to be a Council Member you can be proud of.



#### **Council Position No. 6**

# Charles Richard (Dick) Tyson

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**Education:** B Ed, UW, Geography. Extensive studies in: Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Urban Planning, and Art.

**Occupation:** Retired Seattle Teacher, Business Owner, Union Pipefitter, Various Engineering Employment

**Statement:** As a Tukwila youngster, I was raised in a country setting. The duty of volunteering was instilled in me early and is part of who I am. Highlighting my activism, I served on the Committee that saved the Foster Golf Course from commercial development and helped form the Tukwila Historical Society.

As City problems intensify, by what measure has the incumbent, (who started her term with an ethics violation), performed? Position 6 is your only opportunity to change the status quo.

Change is needed on the Tukwila City Council. Residential crime is now an epidemic, affordable housing remains scarce, and evaluation of our City facilities is imperative to meet future needs.

An understanding of diverse cultures was gained while teaching in Seattle, and will be applied as I represent all of Tukwila.

Your trust in my abilities will be met with gratitude and respect. Vote Tyson for Tukwila Council



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**Education:** MBA - Engineering/Technology Management, BA - Communications, Project Management Professional (PMP) Credential

Occupation: Information Technology Project Manager

**Statement:** Thank you for the honor of serving you on Tukwila City Council these past four years. With your vote, I pledge to continue to serve you with integrity, hard work and common sense.

Currently, I advocate for you as president of your City Council and Pool Metropolitan Park District. I also represent you in leadership roles both regionally and nationally.

I believe in accessible, accountable government that respects every taxpayer, provides high-value and stretches your tax dollar. I believe in building community by staying actively involved with neighborhood groups, seniors, students, veterans and businesses. As a priority, I make informed decisions based on community feedback. I am devoted to representing what the people who *live* in Tukwila want, and what makes sense for *us*.

I will continue to fight for kids, fight for seniors and fight for you.

Please vote to Re-Elect Kate Kruller for Tukwila City Council, Position 6.







As a chef, I seldom follow directions. As a voter, I always do!

Be sure to sign your return envelope and get it back before the deadline.

It pays to be informed!

#### Michael Christophersen

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**Education:** AA Electronic Engineering, numerous technical certifications

Occupation: Technical consultant IBM

**Statement:** I'm a father of three with over 35 years of combined experience with the Seattle public schools, as a student, parent and advocate. I'm running not just because of my roots and children, but because I believe that quality education is a fundamental right.

If elected I will hold myself accountable for student's outcomes providing meaningful oversight of policies, insuring our district complies with all city, state and federal laws.

Here are just a few of my ideas for change:

Improving Outcome For Students With Learning Disabilities

With nearly 5,000 Seattle Public schools students having been identified as having some form of dyslexia and an estimated 5,000 more students unidentified, it is critical that we implement scientific approaches to these challenges in education. Earlier this year I presented the district with a professional development proposal from a respected NHI researcher in literacy.

Lowering The Dollar Amount Needed For Board Approval

Currently the district employees can spend up to \$249,000 without board approval, I would lower the amount to \$20,000.

Revoking Attorney Client Privilege

Currently the district uses attorney client privilege as a shield preventing the public from knowing the facts around various issues and to obfuscate from parents what is really going on with their child's education. I would propose that the board enact a policy requiring the district's legal department to obtain board approval before invoking attorney client privilege.

Lowering Central Administrative Cost

Once in office, I would conduct a review of all 838 + central administrative positions then work with the board and the superintendent to redirect unnecessary administrative expenditures to our classrooms.

I'm ready to do what is needed to provide an equitable, meaningful, and fundamentally sound education for all students and I need your vote to do it and your support over the next 4 years.

#### Scott S. Pinkham

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Education: M.Ed. Educational Leadership & Policy Studies (ABT); BS Mathematical Sciences, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Assistant Director College of Engineering Diversity & Access; AIS Lecturer

Statement: I graduated from a public school in central Washington. After completing my Bachelor of Science degree at the UW, I tutored mathematics, implemented a peer-tutoring program for a community college, managed pre-college engineering programs, and served as a university admissions and recruitment counselor prior to my current positions as the director of the UW Minority Scholars Engineering Program and American Indian Studies lecturer. Throughout my life, education has been about bringing out the best in the individual.

Science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) skills are needed in our growing technology-based society. I will apply my strong STEM background and my work with diverse communities so that students are not left behind. Teachers should be allowed to teach students how to learn rather than memorize facts for high stakes tests. All students are capable, but students should not be measured by tests alone.

Performance of our underrepresented and underserved students should be seen as one true measure of our schools. We have seen programs that work for our underserved/underrepresented communities being reduced or eliminated by Seattle Public Schools (SPS). This should not be a budget issue, but a priority issue.

With children in Seattle schools, my wife and I have been active in holding SPS accountable. We have spoken at school board meetings, community meetings and school-wide assemblies. I have done volunteer work in math classes. We speak up when others have given up. Too often the community is brought in after major milestones have passed, leaving the public feeling disempowered. We need transparency – community voices matter. My father was a union president and like him I know that listening is important to achieve a common goal.

I would appreciate your vote.

More information/endorsements on website.

#### Laura Obara Gramer

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Education: Bachelor of Science in

Occupational Therapy, University of Illinois at Chicago, 1996

Occupation: stay-at-home parent, occupational therapist, Washington

chapter Hands and Voices-secretary

**Statement:** I have a stake in Seattle Public Schools (SPS) because my children are entering the school system. My husband, Brendan, and I have two deaf children, a preschooler and a toddler. I care about school issues and regularly attend board meetings. I have worked as an occupational therapist for 15 years. I have sat on various boards and commissions such as Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities.

- -When my oldest son entered the school system, I saw a crucial need to improve the deaf and hard of hearing program (DHH). I helped bring people together to address the DHH program. The program is starting to transform; SPS hired a new supervisor, and is in the process of changing programming.
- -We need to fix the education gap for students with disabilities and students of color.
- -In providing capacity through mega schools, the district must not trade away the children's playgrounds. (Thornton Creek, Wilson Pacific, and Loyal Heights.)
- -Our children need more time for lunch and recess. Recess brings better focus and attention in class because children are able to "recharge." Recess helps balance physical and sedentary activities, and children need space to move.

Elizabeth Tsukimura, parent, says, "Her leadership is proven; Laura's involvement with the school board and SPS over the past year has brought about positive changes in the SPS special education department. She will work hard on behalf of our students and will insist that SPS continue to raise the bar to provide excellent educational experiences for all of our students."

Jill Bargones, parent, says, "Laura is a strong and vibrant advocate who champions family-community-school district communication. She brings the voices of community and the school district together to make real change happen."

Join these parents and others in voting for Laura Obara Gramer!

#### Rick Burke

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Education: BS Engineering, University of

Washington

Occupation: President and Engineering Manager, Thermetrics, LLC

**Statement:** As your School Board Director, I will keep student learning our highest priority by focusing on classroom-based tools and strategies with proven track records, and limiting excessive high-stakes testing.

I have over 20 years of firsthand experience with the district. Born and raised in Seattle, I attended Seattle Public Schools, which provided me with the skills to follow my dream of becoming an engineer. Now, as a parent of three SPS students and husband of a teacher, I'd like to give back to the community and help all of our diverse 53,000 students reach their potential.

As a high-tech small business manager, I set strategic targets, negotiate with clients, develop and enforce company policies, and oversee HR and financial functions. I'll bring this discipline, an analytical approach, and quality commitment to the school board.

I co-founded the Seattle Math Coalition, served as executive chair of Where's The Math? and as PTA co-president of my children's school. I served on the Washington State Board of Education Math Panel to craft learning standards and evaluate instructional materials. I've consistently listened and collaborated with parents, teachers, principals, administrators, and superintendents to identify problems and solutions.

My priorities include: Direct any new funding directly into classrooms / Replace the inadequate middle school math textbooks / Implement a sensible assessment policy / Establish transparent, long-term capacity planning / Transform district culture to deliver more responsive customer service to families / Revitalize vocational-technical education opportunities like shop classes.

I'm honored to receive sole endorsements of the 36th, 43rd, and 46th District Democrats, King County Democrats, King County Young Dems, MLK County Labor Council, Metropolitan Democratic Club, IUOE Local 609, current Seattle Board Directors Marty McLaren, Sharon Peaslee, Betty Patu, Sue Peters, and past Board President Kay Smith-Blum.

I hope to earn your vote.

#### Jill Geary

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University School of Law

 ${\bf Occupation:}\ {\bf Former\ Administrative\ Law\ Judge;\ Education\ Attorney;}$ 

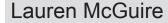
Regional Presenter Education Law

Statement: The status quo isn't acceptable for our kids and families. It is time to take the District in a positive new direction and ensure every child has a meaningful and challenging education in our district regardless of economics, neighborhood, race, language or ability. I'll work collaboratively with my fellow Directors to give voice to our families and bring support to our classroom teachers, so as a team we can meet the challenge of providing a world class education and preparing our children for future education and employment.

As the mother of five Seattle Public Schools students, my kids have benefitted from some of the best our District has to offer. While I have actively supported many schools, my commitment to education began when I had the privilege to work as an administrative law judge, holding hearings for the Superintendent of Public Instruction, including teacher certification and discipline, and special education due process hearings. As a judge, I developed a passionate belief that every child deserves a great public education.

Our district faces many important issues: funding basic education; decreasing class sizes, overcrowding and capacity, equity in education, inclusion, closing the school to prison pipeline, and balancing accountability and assessment. Strong local school boards working collaboratively bring positive results for students. In all the years I have been a parent attorney, I have always been able to reach fair agreements benefitting students and districts. If elected School Director, I will bring my analytical and negotiation skills to the Board with the goal of working together for the best outcomes for Seattle's students and families.

Endorsements: Seattle School Board Directors Peters & Patu, The Stranger, King County Democrats, King County Labor Council, King County Young Democrats, 32nd & 46th District Democrats, Metropolitan Democratic Club, Rep. Jessyn Farrell, Councilmembers Dembowski, O'Brien & Harrell.



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Education: Master's, Communication,

Northwestern University; B.A., History and Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences, Northwestern University

**Occupation:** Former Management Consultant helping organizations improve structures, staffing, and efficiency

**Statement:** As Seattle Council PTSA President, I proudly advocated citywide for the success of *every* Seattle child. We are a district of great schools, outstanding teachers and amazing kids, yet unacceptable opportunity gaps for low income and children of color threaten the promise that should come with a quality education.

I want to serve on the Seattle School Board to continue fighting for the success of our kids. I'm an award-winning education advocate with a track record helping Seattle Schools with school overcrowding, special education, and other high profile issues. I've worked professionally as a management and communications consultant—skills we need on our Board.

Like many parents, I got involved when my kids entered school. Since 2008, I've been a leader in PTSAs at the elementary and middle school levels. I understand individual school challenges, and how they fit with citywide priorities.

District Growth. Seattle Public Schools is adding 1,000 students a year. We need safe, modern schools to meet the needs of all students, including the technology and services needed for students receiving special education services, English language learners, and kids facing economic hardship.

Testing Reform and State Funding: It's time we hold the State accountable for the twin crises of inadequate funding and inconsistent, often inappropriate high stakes testing. With so many Seattle high school students opting out of tests, and our schools lacking the resources to meet the needs of a growing, diverse student body, it's time for the Board to unite and demand changes in Olympia.

Governance. The Board should provide guidance and oversight to assure district accountability and progress—not micromanaging, or hands-off cheerleading. I'll help strike that balance.

Endorsed: Seattle Times; FUSE; 46th Democrats; School Board Directors Sherry Carr, Sharon Peaslee, Harium Martin-Morris; State Representatives Pollet and Walkinshaw; parents and education leaders citywide.

#### Leslie Harris

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**Education:** Attended Western Washington University and University of Washington

Occupation: Litigation Paralegal for victims and workers

Statement: I will be committed to Transparency, Trust, and Equity. We can do better for our kids, families and community. We need to put more dollars in the classrooms, equity in program-availability throughout the district, especially those serving Special Ed, English Language Learners, advanced and at-risk students. We should support, not dismantle, life-saving programs like Middle College High School. Children are not widgets – we must meet their different learning needs. We need accountability and leadership and to replicate what is working and discontinue failing practices.

I have 30 years of professional experience as a litigation paralegal, researching fact and law. Working on teams to represent victims gives me the advocacy skills to serve the public as a very effective Director. For over 10 years, I have regularly attended board and committee meetings at the central office. I have extensive relevant recent experience in our schools and have served on PTSAs for 13 years. My service on local, state and national boards demonstrates I understand and work collaboratively on addressing policymaking and fiduciary duty.

"Harris is a detail-oriented, analytical thinker who aims to create better transparency and communication between the school board and the children and families it serves. She will demand better accountability and educational outcomes from board policies." The Seattle Times.

I ask for your vote.

Endorsed by The Seattle Times, The Stranger, MLKing Labor Council\*, King Co. Dems, KC Young Dems, 11th, 32nd, 34th, 46th\*Leg. Dist. Dems, Metro Dems Club, IUOE Local 609 (Classified Seattle School employees), Aerospace Machinists 751, IBU, Jt. Council Carpenters, Labors No. 242, and others. Please see website for additional endorsements, including Dow Constantine, Phil Talmadge, Greg Nickels, Irene Stewart, Sally Soriano, Joe McDermott, Larry Gossett, Rod Dembowski, and Eileen Cody. \*dual – all others sole. Deadline for this submittal 08-07-15

#### Marty McLaren

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Credential, Pacific Oaks College; endorsements in Math, Science, History,

ECE.

Occupation: Incumbent School Board Director, retired SPS math teacher

**Statement:** I am a parent and professional educator who has served Seattle Schools for 14 years, ten as a teacher and four on the School Board. I'm running for re-election because I know what we need to do to close the opportunity gap and meet the needs of every student in our district. In the past four years I have played a leading role on these important initiatives:

- adoption of a leading-edge K5 math curriculum
- implementation of a district-wide intervention system to identify and support struggling learners before they fall behind
- improvements in professional learning for teachers
- hiring a distinguished education leader as our Superintendent.

My greatest strength is bringing people together to work constructively in achieving our goals.

I spearheaded development of a School Board Code of Conduct, unanimously supported by my colleagues. This collaborative spirit has increased cooperation between the board and district staff, enabling us to make significant progress in improving the culture and quality of Seattle Public Schools.

However, *much crucial planning is yet to be implemented*. In my second term on the board, I will ensure that closing the gap remains our highest priority. I will continue to work diligently for full funding to meet the needs of disadvantaged learners and improve the quality of education in all of our schools. With wise spending and careful planning we're getting things done for our students and teachers. With full funding we will achieve all our goals.

If re-elected, I will leverage my strengths to empower our incoming new Board Directors to form a highly effective team. Together, we can ensure that Seattle students are among the most supported, successful students in the nation.

Endorsements: Current and former Board Presidents Sherry Carr, Sharon Peaslee, Kay Smith-Blum, Director Harium Martin-Morris, MLKJr. County Labor Council, 46th Democrats, Cliff Mass.

#### Angela Griffin

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Human Services. Master of Arts in Education

Occupation: Associate Director of Education Programs for Treehouse

**Statement:** I am the married mother of two children who are currently enrolled in the district's most rigorous academic programs, as well as two former students of the district who received an education that contributed to their graduation from reputable colleges. I have over 20 years of professional experience as a paraeducator, middle school teacher, and leading programs that improve educational outcomes from early learning through high school completion.

In our school district I have served as a parent advocate, helping families address complex school issues and ensuring the district engages parents in their children's education. I recently served on the Global Learning committee, setting the standards for children to become global citizens. I currently serve on the district's Equity Task Force, supporting the development of a policy to ensure students have an equitable learning experience.

I previously served 5 years on the Federal Way School Board, setting policies that led to each student having an equitable access to the districts advanced learning programs and academic standards being streamlined across the district. I continue to be dedicated to lead our district in maintaining high academic standards; enlisting and retaining highly qualified educators; and actively engaging parents at all grade levels.



#### Claire Wilson

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Education: BS/MA Home Economics/Child

Family Studies/Adult Education -WSU/University of Northern Colorado

Occupation: Executive Director Policy, Governance, School Community

Partnerships-Puget Sound ESD

**Statement:** I bring leadership, expertise, and passion to assure equitable access to educational opportunities for all students in Federal Way. As current School Board Director, I have positively impacted the challenges facing our students and our schools, and there is more work to do. All children can be successful in school and life and parents are crucial partners in this endeavor. We need to meet the needs of our diverse community and student population. Student voice, parent voice, and community involvement are key to successful and supportive schools that maximize each child's potential.

I bring 35 years of experience working with children and families in early learning through K-12 and have experience in educational policy, governance, and federal and state legislation crossing the birth through K-12 spectrum. I have been an active parent member of the Family & Community Partnership Office Advisory Board and have continued my involvement and support as a current Board Director. I've been involved in PTA, Citizens for Federal Way Schools, the Washington State School Directors Association, and currently serve on the Building Better Futures Board in Kent, the Advisory Board of the Washington Family Engagement Trust, and the Board of Directors for The Sidekick Collective.

#### Liz Drake

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Education: BEd. Anglia College, England,

MEd. Principal's and Superintendent's Letter, Lehigh University,

Pennsylvania

Occupation: Retired High School Principal. Communities In Schools

Mentor

**Statement:** For the past four decades, Public Education has been my passion and driving force.

I have been a teacher and principal in England, Pennsylvania, and Federal Way. I moved with my husband to Federal Way eight years ago and have been the high school principal at Todd Beamer and Thomas Jefferson High Schools.

I am committed to the Federal Way Community. Two of our children and our five grandchildren live in Federal Way, attending or soon to attend schools in Federal Way School District.

My focus as principal was always to consider parents and students as the customer. Communication and trust were essential leadership elements. I am running for School Board Director to help ensure that the School District has the confidence of parents, students, and the community. I believe that a flourishing School District is a key component of a flourishing City.

Education cannot be viewed in isolation. The school District must be responsive to the community, parents and students. It takes the whole community to make every student successful and ready for the challenges of College or a Career.

If elected I will be an experienced advocate for student success, community engagement, and parental involvement in district initiatives.

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

#### Hiroshi Eto

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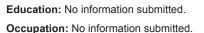
**Education:** BS Engineering U.C.L.A. and MS Civil Engineering California State University, L.A.

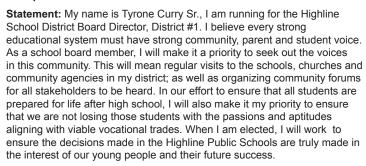
**Occupation:** Civil Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Retired Civilian)

Statement: Our children attended Federal Way Public Schools in the 1990's and while our community demographics have changed, one thing that has not is our school district's drive to provide a strong education for life. Our school district offers diversity of culture and personal experiences representative of the global world we live in. We support each student to realize the opportunity to achieve their potential; and we provide choices in curriculum to be relevant to the diverse interests of our students and the world economy that they will participate in. We increased the number of minority teachers and hired a female African-American Superintendent who has taught, led and directed education programs. Our school district views education as an extremely important profession. We value education, certifications, and the experience each team member brings to the table. I have been honored to serve and promise to continue to serve with a single minded focus on ensuring your Federal Way Public Schools continues to provide your children the education they need to build toward their vision for success. I ask for your support with your vote and your input on policies and program priorities needed to support your student's future success in life

#### Tyrone Curry, Sr.

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#### **Director District No. 3**

#### Joe Van

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**Education:** Highline College - Criminal Justice/ Mgmt & Supervisor Certificate. Des Moines

Police Reserve Graduate

Occupation: Surgitrack Program Supervisor/ FDA Quality Rep

**Statement:** I have been blessed with family, teachers, coaches, and friends who positively influenced my life as a young person. As your current School Board Director, I work to ensure that our kids have the same opportunities to reach their goals.

These are challenging times for public education. Our students should be prepared to pursue their education and careers in a global economy. Our district is facing many important issues: equity in education, lack of funding, class size, and buildings beyond their life expectancy.

My priorities are to improve the quality of education and provide a safe, healthy and challenging learning environment. We must address Washington's funding crisis. Short-changing our schools harms us all. I would be proud to continue to serve you and your family, helping to provide safe schools, adequate facilities, outstanding teachers and staff, and an environment which is conducive to learning and preparing our youth for success.

#### Miles Partman

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Education: Evergreen High School Graduate

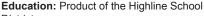
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Occupation: Busser at BluWater Bistro

Statement: My name is Miles Partman. I am better known as Mohawk Kuzma in the media relating to the #BlackLivesMatter movement. I believe that it's time for a change in the leadership of this directors district. We need to have a Clearer focus on education and making sure that all taxpayers money is spent well and accounted for its intended purpose. We need more transparency in the Highline School district and get the parents and students more involved in their education. Also,I believe that we need to listen to the community and see what the community thinks to improve the education system as a whole and do what you want . Also, I have talked to many of you in the community and I have heard that you want better quality education and better anti-Bullying campaign and better schools etc. I look forward to serving you.

#### Bernie Dorsey

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District

Occupation: No information submitted.

**Statement:** As a member of the Highline School Board for the past eight years, I will continue to recognize that as our community grows, we must be responsive in adapting to the rapidly changing needs of our children. Not just their educational needs, but also the needs of facilities they learn in, and the technology they will need to achieve their potential.

Being a lifelong member of the community, a product of the Highline School District and the parent of a graduate, I believe there should be urgency to our work, but not at the cost of careful thought. A district that represents such an abundance of cultures has its own unlimited potential. It is my commitment to our community to do everything within our power to reach it. Only by working hand in hand with the many families, cities, and businesses impacted by our public schools, will we accomplish that.



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

#### John D. Burdine

1413 S 237th Ct Des Moines WA 98198



**Education:** BA., San Diego State University. Teaching dcredential, United States

International University. Much advanced coursework.

**Occupation:** Wesley Homes, Des Moines, environmental services. Retired teacher. Former businessperson.

**Statement:** I launch my campaign in response to the two recent failed levies. Highline needs to pass a financially conservative levy that honors the voters. The district has lectured; not listened. The district has historically done a poor job of maintaining facilities. The board needs to demonstrate that this will change.

For better student learning, a more comprehensive approach is needed. This is especially true of Evergreen and Tyee.

The board should focus on eliminating all testing that is not mandated for state graduation. Teaching to the test is unethical.

A new school should be built on the current Des Moines elementary site. To do otherwise is to destroy the community.

Vote for me if you desire a financially conservitive levy, comprehensive education, less testing and a new Des Moines school.

As always, I will work to honor and respect teachers.

#### Michael D. Spear

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**Education:** B.A. from the University of Washington in Political Science

Occupation: College Instructor with Seattle Central and RTC, YWCA of Seattle

**Statement:** With two terms in the roll of School Director, I've appreciated the communities confidence in the work that we've done as a board and, hopefully, that I've brought to it. In that time, I'm happy that we've maintained the financial and educational responsibility of the district, but I know that we have to push hard to move more kids across the graduation threshold.

We have space needs and growth ahead that needs to be tackled with experience. We need to plan for a district 50 years from now, not 5 years out.

That's why we have a strategic plan that's bold, we have a superintendent who's determined, and we have a board that is working well at setting the pace for education in the district and the region. I look forward to continuing our community dialogs and ensuring that the board works to represent community interests, not personal ones.

#### Todd Franceschina

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No photo submitted

**Education:** MBA - Seattle University **Occupation:** Commercial Real Estate

Statement: Todd has lived in the City of Renton for a majority of his life. He attended public schools in Renton and graduated from Renton High School. Todd and his wife have two daughters raised in Renton. Todd's strong work ethic coupled with his beliefs in the public education system and providing students with the best education possible will allow him to continue his contributions for the future success of the Renton School District. "I am proud to live in the City of Renton and serve the Renton Community as a School Board Director."

#### **Director District No. 3**

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#### **Larry Wright**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with an emphasis in Accounting

Occupation: Accountant

**Statement:** My background is as follows: A native born of Washington, U.S. Navy Veteran, with over 20 years of accounting experience. I was a Peace Corps Volunteer who served in Ukraine. I expect financial accountability with sustainable projects and student orientated results. I have developed and implemented sustainable projects to the community.

My goal is to focus on our students. Our children are the future in the community. No child should be left behind and should have equal opportunity to education. Every program must a the goal to raise the education of our students. Teachers should be given merit raises with affordable health care choices as all other state employees. With my accounting background my goal is to ensure adequate school funding and develop new funding sources without raising taxes.

I ask for your vote so we can bring achievement for students, accountability to our schools, and accessibility for all students.

#### Lynn Desmarais

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Mechanical Engineering, WSU

Occupation: Renton School Board Director, 14 years

**Statement:** Having committed 24 years working in many capacities for the benefit of children, I have taken my role as an advocate for quality education very seriously. I am the parent of three graduates of Renton schools, and currently serve as a board member of *Friends of Renton Schools* and *Communities-in Schools of Renton* (CISR), and as a CISR mentor.

With strong leadership and a talented community of teachers and support staff, the district has made remarkable progress while rising to the challenges of increasing academic and accountability requirements. All residents within the Renton School District should be proud of the district's accomplishments and excellent stewardship of taxpayer dollars.

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as a school board director, and I look forward to contributing to the continued success of the district. As a board, we are committed to providing quality education for *all* students.

#### Gloria Hodge

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**Education:** B.A. Washington State University. **Occupation:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** Elected Experience: Not a politician, just want to serve my community.

Community Service: Volunteer and past member of RSD Committees.

As an educator and parent of an elementary daughter, I've witnessed firsthand how good policies impact quality of the educational system. Volunteering in a high needs school, affirms my belief the areas of focus on how our children are educated and support staff fulfill obligations. A growing focus should be placed teaming with parents balancing dual roles as parents and providers for households.

Being part of the decision making mechanism, that's capable of helping shape a future for the next generation through education is valuable to me. Renton is a diverse community with rich potentials along with many challenges. Working together, we can triumph over barriers in the way of helping children succeed. Invested in the community, I feel I can effectively represent voices. I'd be honored with your vote.



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#### Kevin O'Brien Gaw

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Education: PhD Plastic Engineering, MS

Materials Eng. (UW '93), BS Materials Eng. (GA Tech, '91)

Occupation: Plastics engineer with Boeing

#### Statement:

I have personally experienced 5 school districts and have seen what works and what does not.

Actively solicit all facets of the community for involvement of parents to contribute knowledge within the school, especially those parents who feel participation is beyond them.

Endeavor to support with *human resources* ALL teachers and schools in district

Do not underestimate the power of children to educate.

Advocate in Olympia for funding commensurate with *needs* of OUR diverse Tukwila and not be satisfied with the status quo of an underfunded school district.

#### Steve Mullet

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Education: Foster High School 1961

University of Washington, Business Administration, 1968 **Occupation:** Retired Mayor of Tukwila, 2000-2007

**Statement:**Tukwila schools have been preparing students for their futures for over 100 years. The diversity of our students today and the evolution of job skills required in the 21st century, demands new teaching strategies as well as a more nimble response to student needs. From preschool through graduation, curriculum and teaching must be tailored to connect today's students with the skills they will need to compete tomorrow.

I believe in the future of our schools and will support positive changes to encourage success for all students. When re-elected to Position #2, I will continue to support all students, their dreams, their community involvement, and the long term sustainability of the Tukwila School District. Thanks for your support.

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

#### Dana Scott

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No photo submitted

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

Statement: Hello city of Tukwila,

Unfortunately I have moved out of the district and will not be able to serve on the school board. I have confidence that there will be someone placed in this position that will work diligently to continue to improve the education and support for your children and staff.

#### Dave Larson

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Education: MS Computer Science UW, AB

Math UC Berkeley

Occupation: Retired software engineer

Statement: I am committed to creating an educational experience for our students that will prepare them for success in the world. I have volunteered teaching math in the District for the last 14 years. I have worked hard to provide our students with the technology that is critical to their success. This year we will be able to provide a computer for all our students at third grade and higher. As our district's Legislative Representative, I will continue to work at the state level to advocate that our students get their fair share of the state education dollar. We have a wonderful, diverse group of students and they deserve a great educational experience.

#### Michael Jacobs

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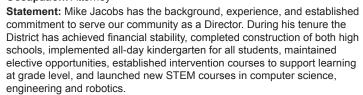
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**Education:** University of Washington BS Zoology, BA Political Science, UPS School of

Law JD

Occupation: Attorney

to increase its excellence.



The District continues to receive State and National recognition for excellence. Seven schools received Washington State Achievement Awards. Shorecrest was recognized by USA Today as one of the Best high schools in America and Shorewood was designated by the Washington Post as one of the most challenging high schools in America. Mike and his wife, Janelle, and two of their children graduated from Shorewood. They have two children currently attending Shoreline schools.

The Shoreline School District is exceptional and Mike will continue to work



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

#### Richard Nicholson

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Education: Two Bachelor of Science Degrees,Oregon State University Occupation: Retired, Surety and CPA

**Statement:** I am running for a second term to continue the success achieved in an outstanding School District. Functions addressed during the first term include: implementation of the Common Core Standards ,completion of two new high schools , facilities planning for increased enrollment ,special education, professional staffing , implementation of new State assessment requirements , and STEM enhancement . I want to contribute to the achievements going forward in a new term of office on the Board.

#### Richard Potter

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**Education:** Masters Industrial Technology; Bachelors Economics

**Occupation:** Boeing Associate Technical Fellow (retired); former Industrial Engineer and Instructor

**Statement:** Schools are an investment in our children – our future. Our students deserve the best education we can provide.

I believe that elected officials should be evaluated and held accountable for their service and how well they meet their commitments. During my two terms as a Board member: Student test scores are up. Started All-Day Kindergarten for all. Communication between the District and community has improved significantly. Implemented software to track student progress so no student falls behind. New high school software guides students' course and post-graduation planning. Replaced both high schools (within budget). Upgraded many school facilities. Math curriculum overhauled. Our budget has recovered despite the continued underfunding of education by the state. Hired new Superintendent.

I am a Shoreline resident of 32 years; one Shorecrest student; one Shorecrest graduate.

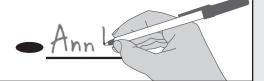
I welcome your input and feedback. Let's work together to make Shoreline the premier school district in the state.



# Regarding write-ins

You do not need to make a selection in every race for your votes to count. You may leave a race blank or write in the name of a different candidate for a race on your ballot. Please, don't write "none of the above" or a frivolous name such as Mickey Mouse or Bigfoot on the write-in line. This creates additional work and expense to count.

Write-in votes are not tallied by name unless the total number could make a difference in the final outcome.



#### Trisha Sanders

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No photo submitted

No information submitted.

#### Russell L. Hanscom

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Education: Bachelor of Science, Nursing,

Walla Walla College Master of Health Administration, University of

Washington

**Occupation:** Executive Director, Puyallup Tribe's Elders & Vulnerable Adults Department

Statement: As the father of fifth, seventh and tenth grade students in the Kent School District, Russell Hanscom is committed to making Kent schools the best in the state. Over the past four years, Russell's leadership has helped implement new programs in our schools, and with the community's support, secured the revenue needed to restore several essential programs and services, such as school counselors, librarians, and 5th and 6th grade band and orchestra. He understands our community represents a variety of cultures and is committed to meet our students' individual needs as well as helping to unify us as a community. He understands the importance of preparing our children for their futures, whether they are college bound or preparing to enter the workforce. He has been instrumental in developing successful programs in our district, such as iGrad, the Kent Valley Early Learning Center and the Parent Academy for Student Achievement. He has a history of making in difference in children's lives by volunteering to coach basketball, baseball, and football for the Kent Parks Department and has been active in his children's PTA. He is a past member of the Kent Rotary and Kent Chamber of Commerce. Please vote for Russell Hanscom

#### Karen DeBruler

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Education: Bachelor of Arts in Education.

Washington State University

Occupation: Retired Classroom Teacher, Issaguah School District

Statement: As a current board member, I am honored to serve the students and citizens of the Kent School District. I truly believe that public education is the most significant factor in maintaining a stable society. economy, and democracy. The global economy has transformed the workplace, making the standard of living dependent on a highly skilled workforce. As the knowledge base continues to expand, the workplace also changes. Students of all capabilities must learn skills that will stand the test of time for individual success and for our future workforce: creative problem-solving, critical thinking, collaboration, knowledge access, technology proficiency, and effective communication. We need to continue to be innovative, using best practices education has to offer. High student achievement is the board's top goal.

As an experienced teacher, I understand education. We must attract and retain quality personnel who reflect our community's diversity. Integrating technology to maximize learning is crucial; our students need to be techsavvy to compete in the world. As we teach our students to collaborate, we also collaborate with and depend on partnerships throughout our community. We maintain fiscal responsibility. Our ultimate goal is to contribute skilled, well-rounded, flexible, creative, and critical thinkers to the world.

#### **Director District No. 3**

#### **Debbie Straus**

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Education: Attended Brigham Young

University, Provo Utah

Occupation: Project Manager, Flow International Corporation

Statement: It has been my honor to serve you as a Board Member for the last 8 years. I am looking forward to the next 4 years. I understand that every day we send our children to school expecting them to get the best education available. That education includes the arts, music, P.E. as well as math, science, writing and reading. I am committed to making sure that we continue to offer a well rounded education.

Together, we can reach our mission of Successfully Preparing All Students for Their Futures. We will do this by looking for innovative ways to ensure that our students are inspired to learn; by working together with our community to leverage their expertise; by believing and acting on that belief that every student has potential! Together we can close the achievement gap and ensure success for ALL students!

My husband and I have raised our 5 children in Kent. All five have graduated from the District. Each had different educational needs, just as the students in our district do. I am committed to making sure that our District stays financially sound while providing a quality education to all students! Thank you for your continued support!

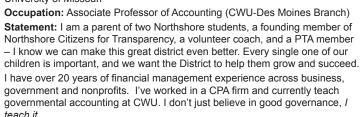


#### Ken Smith

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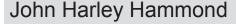
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Education: PhD in Government Accounting-University of Missouri



I've been endorsed by organizations, community members, and teachers, viewable at www.kenforbetterschools.org.

By working together and listening to what the community wants, we can take NSD from "good" to "great". I am a candidate because my community, my government accounting experience, and my commitment to NSD all tell me that we can work together to make things better.



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Education: BA - Education, BS - Fire Science, Master's in Education

Occupation: Currently a Special Education Teacher, retired firefighter

Statement: I am a teacher, and a former firefighter. My expertise is in the needs and challenges of effective schools and public service organizations. As a teacher, my passion is to produce productive, fulfilled, and engaged citizens who are ready to participate in our society. I believe my expertise and passion can serve Northshore well. Every student has different strengths. All students, regardless of their career orientation or educational path, deserve an education that will help them reach their potential. We must continue to focus on the development of the whole student, not just that portion of the student assessed through the current system of mandated testing. Full funding of our schools is vital to this mission. If elected to the Northshore School Board, I believe I can contribute to these goals in a collaborative and respectful manner.

Endorsed by: NSEA, NESPA Janet Quinn State Representative Derek Stanford First LD Democrats





#### **Director District No. 3**

#### **David Cogan**

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Education: Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry, Indiana

University

Occupation: Senior Representative, Bio-medical Technology

Statement: Education First

My children receive a terrific education in Northshore schools due to the quality and commitment of our teachers, administrators, and school staff. While we build on our successes, we face significant challenges such as school funding, class size, and standardized testing. Thoughtful leadership is more important than ever

I've contributed to our community as a volunteer science docent, PTA legislative representative, classroom helper, chaperone, and Northshore Lacrosse board member. My wife has taught special education in our district for over 20 years. I developed the expertise and judgment to responsibly allocate your tax dollars by managing a multi-million dollar region for 16 years.

My priorities are to advance open communication between the parents, school board, administration, and teachers, and to seek a "smarter balance" between education and standardized testing.

Endorsements: NSEA/NESPA, (Northshore Teachers, Para-Educators, and School Nurses Organizations), Equal Rights Washington, Senator Rosemary McAullife, Representative Derek Stanford, and Northshore School Board President, Janet Quinn

#### Berta Phillips

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Education: Shoreline Community College, FEMA Emergency Management Institute

Occupation: Small business owner, Retired Paraeducator, School Volunteer, and PTA Leader

Statement: My husband and I, our children and grandchildren have all received an outstanding education in Northshore schools. Our schools have wonderful educators and dedicated staff.

The next four years will see many changes within Northshore, and the School Board will have great influence on how those changes impact students.

We need strong, independent leaders who will make fiscally-responsible decisions, investing in programs that support students, and easing overcrowding in our schools. We need less emphasis on standardized testing and more resources that improve student outcomes and prepare them for life after high school. We need to engage the community, involving them in our decision-making process.

I am a strong advocate for students – as a paraeducator, school and council PTA leader, Northshore Council PTSA Outstanding Service Award recipient, and Washington State School Safety Advisory Committee member.

Supported by: teachers, parents, and community members

Endorsement: Parent Advocates for a Later Start.





#### Chris Elwell

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No photo submitted

No information submitted.

# **Tips for voting**

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#### Dan Setterberg

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

**Statement:** I have in Shoreline since 1983. In 1972, I joined the Seattle Fire Department from which I retired in 1999 after 27 years' service, working the majority of my time in the University District. Upon retirement, I became a school bus driver for the Shoreline School District, in addition to teaching the Fire Safety program at Shorewood High School from 2008-2012. I still drive school bus today, from which I derive great satisfaction.

As a committed member of the Shoreline community, I would like to serve on the Shoreline Fire Department's Board of Commissioners. My emergency management experience, combined with my investment in and dedication to Shoreline, makes me well qualified for Fire Commissioner.

I look forward to the opportunity to serve and give back to my community.

#### Rod Heivilin

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Education: No information submitted.

**Occupation:** Retired Shoreline fire officer, currently Emergency Director for Nordic Services.

**Statement:** KCFD#4, commonly referred to as Shoreline Fire Department, is in fact a fire district. It is not associated with the city government and receives its revenue directly through taxes and bonds. It is managed by a five member board of commissioners who oversee the department administration.

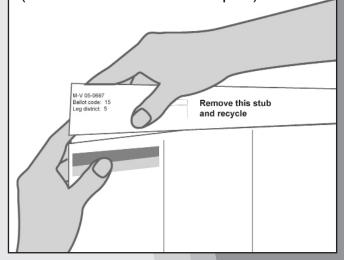
The financial downturn of the last few years required the administration to work diligently to allocate its reduced revenue to maintain the level of services the citizens expect and deserve. We managed to do exactly that and weathered the recession without having to lay off a single firefighter or reduce our service, unlike many other departments.

I have served on the budget committee for the past two years and fully understand the challenges we faced and thanks to the recent voter approved ballot measures, our future is secured. I would appreciate the opportunity to continue as your fire commissioner for a second term.

## **Ballot stub**

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#### Dominic X. Barrera

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Education: Bachelor of Arts in History,

University of Washington

Occupation: Accounting Specialist, Alaska Air Group, Community Activist

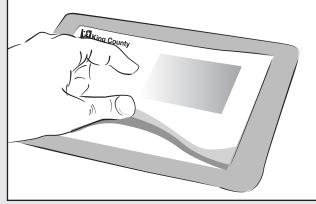
**Statement:** Dominic, a lifelong King County resident, has been a homeowner in unincorporated North Highline since 2012. His love for the neighborhood and passion for community-building have fueled his work with local, grassroots organizations including the North Highline Unincorporated Area Council, Northwest Progressive Institute, Des Moines Historical Society, and the 33rd District Democrats.

The long-term success of our fire department and the community as a whole are intrinsically linked. As a fire commissioner, Dominic will leverage his experience balancing tight budgets and his deep understanding for the needs of our diverse community, and ensure our department will have the resources it needs to protect the citizens, businesses, and properties of North Highline.

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#### Mathew Martin

19414 77th Place NE Kenmore WA 98028

(206) 372-8174

mathewcmartin4commissioner@gmail.com www.mathewcmartin.com/electmathew

Education: BA/History from UCSB on the GI-Bill, working full time after matriculating from

S.B. City College.

Occupation: 15 years in IT with mid-career hiatus for child nurturing.

Statement: Community safety is my paramount interest. The highest level of service for the best value is my goal. I am committed to fair, unbiased, collaborative and transparent governance. I will use my leadership experience and commitment to community service to represent your interests.

Currently I serve as; Kenmore Heritage Society VP and digital archivist for collections, The Arts of Kenmore Board Secretary supporting arts in our community, Kenmore Elementary PTSA member and Chair for the Reflections art program. I served in the United States Marine Corps. Evolution from analog to digital communications was my military specialty. As a past IBM project manager I am well versed in technology implementation, completing projects on time and on budget.

Delivery of service has been my life's work and hands on life experience. It will be my honor to serve as your Fire Commissioner. I thank you for your vote.

#### Don Fllis

6222 N.E. 182nd St. Kenmore WA 98028

(425) 487-9511 ppd5@frontier.com

Education: Bachelor's in Business Administration, UW; Post Grad at UW and McGill University; Certified Fraud Examiner

Occupation: Financial Planning/Review, Fraud Examination

Statement: For 24 years I served our growing community as Northshore Fire Commissioner. It is with careful consideration I again list myself as a candidate to utilize my public service experience. As a long-standing part of this organization I am familiar balancing community needs with personnel requirements.

During my time with Northshore Fire I worked to: evolve what was a volunteer district into a full-time, high-quality, professional fire district; implement the financial planning needed to maintain and continually improve fire service in our community; and greatly reduce operating costs. In addition, I worked tirelessly through the federal permitting process to bring the long-delayed Lake Forest Park station to completion.

My efforts are still in effect, benefiting the community as well as the personnel that protect us.

I appreciate your consideration of my candidacy, and sincerely thank you for past support,

Don Ellis

Endorsed by Knut Einarsen



#### Commissioner Position No. 5

#### David Maehren

6316 NE 196th Street Kenmore WA 98028 (206) 604-3683

David4KCFD16@comcast.net

Education: Attended Western Washington State University and Shoreline Community

College

Occupation: Retired, 30 years of Public Safety Service

**Statement:** I am proud of the Northshore Fire Department's service ethic, training, operational and finance practices. NFD is well run, financially sound and is well prepared to deliver high quality services.

NFD is currently examining consolidation with Bothell and Woodinville fire departments. I believe a consolidated department could provide benefits if the implementation incorporates operational innovations and the startup costs and service delivery expenses are equitable. I favor an initial agency contract for services model followed by a formal consolidation once the costs and benefits of regionalization are established and verified. Some advocate for immediately forming a new Regional Fire Authority department. I believe the RFA approach is the most difficult and carries the most risk. It is permanent, requires new governance, tax system, policies and employee contracts. Costs for transition, capital and ongoing operations have only been estimated. I am committed to regional collaboration and wisely deploying your tax dollars.



#### Cynthia Lamothe

8214 S 128th Street Seattle WA 98178

(206) 660-2954 HNA71@msn.com

Engineering

Education: Bachelor of Science Civil

Occupation: General Manager Skyway Water and Sewer District

Statement: My name is Cynthia Lamothe and I am pleased to be running for election to King County Fire District 20, Commissioner Position No. 3. I was born and grew up in Seattle and have lived in the Skyway/West Hill area for 19 of the past 22 years. This community is my home and I have a vested interest in its future. Fire District 20 plays a key role in the health, welfare and safety of the people living here. I would like to be a part of that effort and believe I can make a positive contribution to the organization. I feel my technical and management experience and education would be an asset to the Fire District and I respectfully ask for your vote.



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## South King Fire and Rescue

## Commissioner Position No. 2

## Bill Fuller

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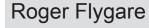
Education: BS in Forestry - Wood Technology and MS - Pulp and Paper -University of Washington

Occupation: Independent Wood Technology Consultant at FRM

Consulting

Statement: As a former firefighter, I often listen to radio communications during fire and aid calls. I can assure you that our Department's skilled officers and crews are protecting us very well. Our insurance rating is 3rd in the state only exceeded by Seattle and Bellevue. Do you know they respond to almost 18,000 calls each year in our growing community? This takes a toll on vital equipment that must always be ready to respond. Stations must be well-maintained and resistant to a "big one" earthquake. Commissioners are accountable to the taxpaying public and businesses and to the firefighters and staff that serve the community every hour of every day. We all understand that funding must be there for day-to-day operation. It is the role of the commissioners to work with department and city leadership to have a sound strategy that meets vital future needs and communicate those needs with and listen to the taxpayers.

I am new to politics and government. However, my experience at Weyerhaeuser, in industry and in the community gives me confidence I can bring a fresh perspective and propose creative alternatives to the Commission as they develop and implement a strategy for the future.



1715 S 324th PI #250 Federal Way WA 98003

(253) 214-2999 RGFlygare@gmail.com www.rogerflygareskfr.com

Education: Associate of Arts Court Reporting and Business, Green River Community College (GRCC).

Occupation: Owner, Flygare & Associates/Alliance (Court) Reporting. Former Boeing employee.

Statement: Roger moved to Federal Way in 1968 and has been a valued member of our community. He helped save the Steel Lake Little League fields, supports the Federal Way Farmer's Market, fought against human trafficking and is the Service Officer for VFW Post 1741. He has served on advisory committees for Green River Community College, Bates Voc-Tech Institute and the Court Reporting Institute. Roger is a Vietnam Veteran who was awarded the Purple Heart. He has been married to Karla Warnke Flygare for 39 years, is the father of one and grandfather of two.

Roger has successfully managed his court reporting businesses for the past 35 years and is a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He creates a positive working environment to get the job done, understands balanced budgets, and the need to set short and long terms goals and plan for a successful outcome. He will bring this vast professional experience with him to the position of Fire Commissioner.

Roger will make sure our firefighters have all the equipment they need to save the lives of you and your loved ones when you call 911.

Join your friends and neighbors - vote for Roger Flygare for Fire Commissioner



## Marty Grisham

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No photo submitted

No information submitted.

## John Rickert

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**Education:** Associates of Arts Degree Fire

Science

**Occupation:** Retired Fire Captain (32 Years of Service); Current Fire Commissioner

**Statement:** I am running for Fire Commissioner because my knowledge and experience have helped the Board make decisions which have maintained South King Fire and Rescue's position as one of the best departments in the State!

I have the background, skills and training for this job. My career began as one of the first paid firefighters in the Federal Way Fire Department. I have been dispatcher, firefighter, lieutenant, captain, training officer and acting Battalion Chief. I retired as Captain in 2000, after 32 years of service. I was a Fire Commissioner for SKF&R from 2002 through 2007 and from 2010 through 2015.

My experience has helped me deal with challenges facing SKF&R. During the recession SKF&R has seen more than a 28% decrease in funding amounting to a loss of over \$7 million. Yet the Board of Commissioners has maintained its ability to serve and protect the citizens through strong financial and long range planning. The taxpayers of SKF&R deserve a Board that works together to obtain these essential goals and I have done that in my past two terms.

Endorsement:

30th and 33rd District Democrats

Washington State Council of Firefighters

Fire Fighters Local 2024

## **Highline Water District**

## **Commissioner Position No. 3**

## Kathleen Quong-Vermeire

20209 2nd Ave SW Normandy Park WA 98166 (206) 853-5333 kvermeire45@hotmail.com

**Education:** B A Evergreen State College and Paralegal Highline Community College **Occupation:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** Kathleen is running for re-election for the Highline Water District. She is a voice of experience for the Highline Water District. Kathleen served as a Normandy Park City councilmember for 12 years prior to serving as your Highline Water Commissioner.

Her attendance at workshops and classes on water related issues supports the District's mission and goals of providing safe, clean and affordable water to the rate payers of Highline Water District.

Kathleen continues her work for the Highline Water District rate payers by serving on the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts WASWD Emergency Preparedness Committee and also actively supports Washington Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network WAWARN.

As a Ham Radio Operator, she supports emergency communications for the cities of Tukwila, SeaTac, Burien, Des Moines and Normandy Park.

Please, re-elect Kathleen Quong-Vermeire as your commissioner for the Highline Water District.



## Commissioner Position No. 5

## Vincent Koester

21015 11th Ave S Des Moines WA 98198 (206) 510-5197 Vcoaster@comcast.net



**Education:** AA, AAS Quality Control **Occupation:** Small Business Owner

Statement: I have proudly served as a Commissioner at Highline Water District for 18 years. Our hard-working management team and experienced staff are devoted to insuring that the citizens we serve have ongoing access to clean, safe drinking water. That commitment, along with infrastructure improvements, modernization and comprehensive maintenance resulted in Highline Water District's bond rating being revised by Standard & Poor's to AAA, the highest possible rating. For us, that rating means we are doing the best job possible for you. Thank you for allowing me to be your Commissioner.

## Bill Donahue

5005 NE 187th Street Lake Forest Park WA 98155

(206) 363-4625 wfdjr@comcast.net No photo submitted

Education: BS Accounting, Marquette

University

Occupation: Manager of natural gas pipeline contracting for major local

utility.

**Statement:** I believe the best interests of our customers/owners are served by maintaining our high quality water supply. I will work with the City of LFP to find solutions that do NOT compromise our water source or equipment.

I fully support the small, independent, low-overhead, specialized water utility that is our Water District.

## **Charlotte Haines**

836 NE 194th St Shoreline WA 98155

(206) 362-1131 Haineshous@aol.com



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

**Statement:** A long term resident of Shoreline and active in the Shoreline community

community.

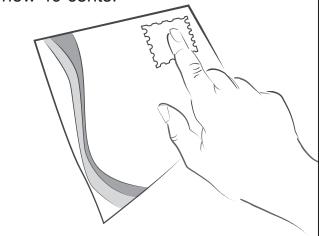
As a Water Commissioner I will encourage the continuation of community involvement with the high level of customer service and availability being provided by the North City Water District board and staff.

It is necessary that we continue with high water quality compliance, resource development growth and services that the North City Water District has provided to their customers for over 80 years.

## Why wait?

You can vote and return your ballot as soon as you receive it.

Ballots must be returned to a drop box by 8 p.m. November 3 or postmarked that day. Mailed ballots require first class postage, now 49 cents.



## Darold P. Doell

PO Box 208 Seahurst WA 98062 (206) 307-4355



Education: MBA, Auburn; BA, WSU; Texas A&M, Mechanical Engineering; USAF ACS College.

Occupation: Project Manager/Engineer, Management Consultant

**Statement:** My community service spans over 30 years. Constantly striving to maximize the ratepayer's dollars. I am non-partisan and will continue to represent each of our District customers with fairness and equality.

As your Commissioner I will diligently seek to maintain the purest and most efficient water system for your dollar.

My record of performance reflects a proven, and independent community leader with the experience and planning abilities to do a good job.

I humbly ask for your vote.

## Don't delay – call back right away!

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## Jerry Foley

10226 6th Ave SW Seattle WA 98146 (206) 763-0799 JerryFoleyWD45@comcast.net

No photo submitted

**Education:** Elementary, High School, two years of College and a few hard knocks.

Occupation: Retired after forty years at Fisher Mills Seattle.

**Statement:** Four years ago, when I ran for this position and asked you to vote for me, I knew very little about the job. As it turned out there was more to being a Commissioner than I thought. But, thanks to the Commissioners that I work with and the very patient people who work at the Water District I have learned a great deal. Now, I feel confident that I have learned how to be a Commissioner, and I would be honored to continue serving you as one of your Commissioners. So, I am asking you to vote for me again. Thank you.



## Online voter guide

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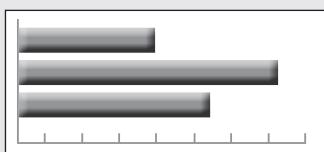
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## Tom Jovanovich

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No photo submitted

No information submitted.



## **Election results**

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

Results for the general election will be posted once on election day, November 3, at 8:15 p.m., and updated on most subsequent weekdays by 4:30 p.m. until the election is certified on November 24. Results are posted on the King County Elections website and on our mobile website.

## Yoshiko Matsui

PO Box 13010 Des Moines WA 98198 (206) 212-6587 yoshiko4waterdist54@gmail.com

No photo submitted

**Education:** Bachelor's in American Cultural Studies & Master's in Education, Western

Washington University

Occupation: Human Resources Professional

**Statement:** It's an honor to be considered for commissioner of Water District #54. I have been a resident of Des Moines for nearly 8 years and a proud part of the North Hill neighborhood. I first became interested in the Water District after the boil advisory in September of 2013 and sought ways to become more involved in safeguarding our community. If I am elected, there are two immediate issues that I would focus on with my fellow commissioners.

- 1. A comprehensive Emergency Management System that includes a robust communication plan. The District has already implemented changes to ensure safety and that good work must continue.
- 2. A detailed Capital Improvement Plan. Our infrastructure is aging and we need a thoughtful course of action to maintain and enhance our assets.

Together, I hope to continue the legacy of Des Moines' Water District.

Thank you,

Yoshiko Matsui

## Commissioner Position No. 2

## John H. Rayback

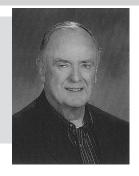
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No photo submitted

No information submitted.

## Jim Langston

PO Box 98475 Des Moines WA 98198 (206) 878-7205 electjimlangston@yahoo.com



**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Education, Western Washington University

Occupation: Public School Teacher, retired

**Statement:** Jim has long served our community in a variety of positions. He is past chair of the City of Des Moines. Performing Arts Committee, is president of our local historic Hillgrove Cemetery Association, president of the Des Moines Historic Society (after having served as VP for the past 10 years), has been Noble Grand of the Des Moines Oddfellows Lodge, and is a member of the Des Moines Masonic Lodge. As a public school teacher of 46 years, Jim has had a great influence on many lives. He believes in our community, its youth, and prospects for a bright future.

Jim Langston wants safe, clean, and pure water for our underground aquifer. Reservoir maintenance and painting our water tower are projects that soon need attention. Clean water, maintenance of our system, and keeping our water rates reasonable is his agenda for King County Water District 54.

## Alli Larkin

21937 7th Ave S #210 Des Moines, WA 98198



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

**Statement:** Water, the basis of all life, should be treated as an essential public service.

public scrvice.

What we do to and with the flow of water in our Water District impacts our quality of life.

As your water commissioner for the past twelve years I have always stood up for you, the customers of KCWD 54, even when others have dismissed me for telling the truth about what I have learned from qualified others about what is really happening. Not only with KCWD 54 but here in Washington State with water and sewer districts and the money that funds

If you would like to know about the issues facing KCWD 54, our open public meetings are at 4 PM on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.

And, if you would like me to continue standing up, as your water commissioner, for the safe, clean, affordable well water, that KCWD 54 began providing in 1935, then please vote for me.

## James A. (Jim) Rick

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No photo submitted

No information submitted.

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## John B. Harris

1 The Highlands Shoreline WA 98177 (206) 362-2100 jbh66@comcast.net

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No photo submitted

No information submitted.



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- Track point #2: King County received your completed ballot packet.
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## **Midway Sewer District**

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## George Landon

19705 34th Ave S SeaTac WA 98188 (206) 824-1340



Education: No information submitted.

Occupation: Retired Real Estate Broker/Owner

**Statement:** It has been my privilege to serve as Midway Sewer District Commissioner. I would like to recognize the employees and customers of the district who have played a major role in keeping rates at one of the lowest levels in the state, while maintaining excellent service. I will continue working to maintain the best possible environmentally friendly service and reasonable rates. Thank you for your support.

## Commissioner Position No. 5

## Scot D. Sanborn

PO Box 98609 Des Moines WA 98198 (206) 878-2912 lizsanborn@msn.com



Education: No information submitted.

Occupation: Thirty years in the building industry running a successful company

**Statement:** I have served in this position for the last two years and my personal goals for the Midway Sewer District remains the same - to keep the level of service high and the costs low. The District has been consistent in maintaining these qualities and I would like to continue to do so. I have the experience to handle the future challenges and I will continue to keep our rate payers at the forefront of my actions.

I have a strong commitment to our community and to community service. I have lived and worked in the Des Moines area all my life. I live with my wife, Liz and our two children.

It has been a privilege and a pleasure to have served the last two years as a Commissioner and I look forward to this new term to serve you. Thank you for your support.

## Chris Eggen

15104 11th Ave NE Shoreline WA 98155

(206) 271-3936 eggenChris@comcast.net www.democracy.com/ ChrisEggen4RonaldCommissioner

**Education:** Bachelor's and Master's in Physics, and Master's in Electrical Engineering,

University of Washington

**Occupation:** 35 years Engineer and Project Manager, 8 years Shoreline Councilmember

Statement: I am a Vietnam-Era Veteran, retired electrical engineer from the UW, and raised my children in Shoreline. I have a master's degree and years of experience in engineering. I am also a former city elected official with experience in balancing a budget and extensive time on utility committees. My education and experience will greatly benefit the Ronald Board. I pledge that my analysis of issues and decision-making will totally focus on benefits to the utility and ratepayers.

Ronald Wastewater is scheduled to be assumed by the City of Shoreline in 2017 per a 2002 agreement. That agreement gave broad guidance on the transition and now it's time for detailed planning in order to insure that the interests of ratepayers and employees are not compromised during assumption. with my background I can work effectively with other board members and the City to insure this planning is effective and comprehensive.



16503 Fremont Ave N Shoreline WA 98133



Education: BS Civil Engineering, Seattle

University

Occupation: Structural Engineer

**Statement:** Ronald Wastewater District is changing. The District will be incorporated into City Operations. I want to guide our Wastewater District in a smooth transition with the City.

I am currently employed as a Structural Engineer at a firm which specializes in Wastewater projects. My background will allow me to make knowledgeable decisions related to our system.

Your vote is appreciated. Thank you.

## **Commissioner Position No. 5**

## Arnold (Arne) Lind

19718 12th Ave NW Shoreline WA 98177



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

Statement: I'll continue to work in your behalf, hopefully, insuring you good

service and affordable rates.

## Susan M. Genzale

1824 SW 166th PI Burien WA 98166 (206) 244-5295 suzygenzale@yahoo.com

Education: Graduate St. Francis Cabrini Hospital School of Nursing

Occupation: Accounting, Tony's Market

Statement: It has been my honor to serve as your commissioner the past 5 years, first assuming my late husband Tony Genzale's seat, then standing for election. Together we operated Tony's Market, experience which helped me bring a business owner's perspective and practical sense to the table. My grandparents were Italian immigrants who taught me the value of hard work. Working with fellow commissioners and staff, we have made great progress in upgrading infrastructure, training, safety programs, security and technology. Our sewer rate is about half the average rate in King County and the second lowest rate of the County's 28 providers. I am proud that residents often tell me that we provide excellent service to our ratepayers. I have been endorsed by: 34th District Democrats, 33rd District Democrats, KCDCC, Evergreen Democratic Club, and Local 21S-AFSCME (SWSSD Employees). I would like to continue serving you and ask for your vote.



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Education: University of Washington; MS Civil Engineering. University of Washington; BS Civil Engineering

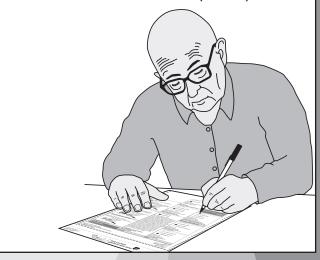
Occupation: Professional Civil Engineer

**Statement:** My name is Derek Doell and I have lived in Burien for over 30 years. During that time, our community has grown significantly in size and will continue to grow in the future. We need a hearty infrastructure including roads, water, and sewer service to maintain our great lifestyle here in the B-Town, and that is where I come in: I have worked as a civil engineer for almost 20 years and I have the skill set and desire to be a great Sewer Commissioner. In addition to understanding the technical elements of wastewater treatment, I am also familiar with the budgetary concerns that sewer districts such as Southwest Suburban often encounter. My goal in this position is to ensure that the taxpayer's money is spent wisely to maintain, improve, and expand our sewer network. Thank you for your time, and I appreciate your vote come Election Day.



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## Deborah McCaslin

100 Andover Park West, Suite 150, #179 Tukwila WA 98188

debforcommissioner@hotmail.com

No photo submitted

Education: No information submitted.

Occupation: No information submitted.

**Statement:** I am an ordinary citizen, a concerned rate payer, and I currently serve on the Board of Commissioners of the sewer district.

I have skills and experience to offer my community and I am committed to the long-term success of the district's operations on behalf of the rate payers, with sound decisions made to ensure the responsible use of the funds provided by the rate payers.

I am honored to serve on the board and I would be honored to have your vote.

## **Commissioner Position No. 3**

## Pam Carter

4115 S 139th St Tukwila WA 98168 (206) 244-0558 pmcarter@jps.net

Education: BA in Education with honors,

Eastern Washington University

Occupation: Semi-retired, occasional substitute teacher

**Statement:** It has been a privilege to serve as a Valley View Sewer District Commissioner for the past 6 years. I have been able to bring my background as a former Tukwila City Councilmember, community leader, and neighborhood activist to help ensure that you continue to have a well-run district that delivers value to its customers.

At Valley View Sewer District we have been able to keep your rates low while also making the prudent and necessary investments required to maintain and upgrade the system. Our rates are amongst the lowest of the 34 districts and cities sending sewage to King County for treatment.

I represent the District on the King County MWPAAC (Metropolitan Wastewater Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee) and was appointed by the Governor to represent water and sewer districts on the state's Public Works Board.

I look forward to serving you for another six years.



## **Lakehaven Utility District**

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Peter Sanchez

4520 SW 317th PI Federal Way WA 98023 (253) 670-8234 sanchez4lakehaven@comcast.net



Education: AA of Applied Science Wastewater Tech, GRCC Emergency Management &

Disaster Planning training

Occupation: Sewer Department Supervisor Wastewater Plant Operator

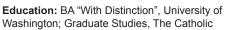
Statement: I am a Navy veteran who brings a unique set of skills to the Commissioners position. I have 32 years of experience in the wastewater industry, the last 25 in management and leadership. My skills and abilities are based on a solid foundation starting as a Utility Operator, working my way through every position fundamental to the effective operation of a wastewater treatment plant, to my current supervisory role. I have ongoing professional relationships with engineering and contracting firms, and state and local officials to insure inter-local cooperation and regulatory compliance. I understand what goes into balancing a multi-million dollar budget and long term planning.

Being Commissioner allows me to use my experience to serve my community of 33 years. Maintaining high quality drinking water and proper wastewater treatment while maintaining low rates is my pledge to you.

I look forward to serving you as Commissioner and appreciate your vote.

## Richard Peterson

2818 SW 340th PI Federal Way WA 98023 (253) 838-4636 rmcspeterson@comcast.net



University of America

Occupation: Director of Cemeteries, Archdiocese of Seattle

Statement: Since 1988 I have lived, worked, and raised a family in our wonderful community. I operate a service oriented business, Gethsemane Cemetery, in the community, and since 1991 I am responsible for all Catholic cemeteries in King County. Leadership means planning. budgeting, implementing, maintaining multi-generational infrastructure, hiring, training, and supporting staff who are focused on the community's needs. I am the leader and possess the skills that Lakehaven needs. I will represent You in the care of all resources that You have entrusted to Lakehaven - finances, budget, infrastructure, staff - with sound management and transparency.

You can expect the highest level of integrity ensuring that you will receive low cost, high quality water and sewage treatment services with an ongoing awareness of sustainability, environmental stewardship, and accountability. Endorsed by Senator Mark Miloscia, Representative Linda Kochmar, and Commissioner Tim McClain. I ask for your vote. Thank you.



## Commissioner Position No. 5

## Ronald E. Nowicki

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No photo submitted

Education: BS in Mechanical & Electrical Engineering; MBA University of Michigan

Occupation: Professional Engineer, business owner, now retired

Statement: I would like to continue to serve as your Commissioner, it is an honor and a responsibility that I take very seriously. I was appointed Commissioner in July of 2006 after a thorough review process. My family and I moved to the Lakehaven service area in 1980 and have been customers ever since. I owned and operated an environmental engineering firm for over 24 years, and retain my registration as a Professional Engineer.

Commissioners are responsible to you, the owners of Lakehaven, to provide adequate supplies of clean, safe drinking water and environmentally responsible wastewater systems, now and into the future. We must also provide the best service possible for the rates charged. We must maintain our existing facilities to comply with all present regulations and we should be in the forefront of emerging environmental regulations.

Please allow me to continue to serve and make a positive difference.

## Matt Breysse

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**Education:** BA, Western Washington University; Teachers Certification, Seattle

Pacific University; Masters in Administration, Western Washington

University.

Occupation: Teacher, Lake Washington School District.

**Statement:** The Northshore Utility District, (NUD), is an essential part of our community, The reliable water and sewer system that we all use is easy to take for granted but it must be protected. The duty of the NUD is to provide safe, reliable, low cost water and sewer. Matt will work with the other commissioners to make sure that the NUD provides these services as well as plan for providing these services in the future. Matt will bring a new perspective and fresh eyes to the many issues that face the NUD board.

Matt and his wife have lived in Bothell for over twenty-six years and have raised their two children here. With Matt, you can expect the highest level of integrity ensuring that you will receive high quality water and sewer services at low cost with an ongoing concern for sustainability, environmental stewardship and accountability.

Vote for Matt Breysse.

## Margaret Wiggins

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**Education:** Graduated Diable Valley College; first female Honor Grad USAF comm tech school - 1973

Occupation: retired US West project manager, commissioner NUD

Statement: Thank you for allowing me to represent you on The Board of Commissioners, 18 years ago I started with the goals of disaster preparation and reliable supply through infrastructure and conservation. We now have reinforced water tanks and seismic shutoff valves, 2 water treatment plants that can supply regional needs out to 2060, and a \$2 million regional conservation program. Controlling costs is my current concern as the president of the board, the district has fewer employees than before keeping our rates lower than the local cities. Wholesale costs have been the main cause of rate increases so I have been attending the county and Seattle regional meetings to ask for cost savings and rate relief. I am now a recognized member at the twice monthly MWPAAC county meetings for sewer agencies, and involved when attending the SPU water operating board meetings. Your vote allows me to continue this work.





## Joyce Clark

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Education: City University, Project

Management. Washington Sewer & Water District Silver & Bronze

Commissioner Certification.

Occupation: N/A

Statement: Community resident, homeowner, activist since 1974. Other community involvement: Precinct Committee Officer (PCO), Member-West Hill Community Association: Joined the West Hill Business Association in 2009. Past State Licensed Foster Home for six (6) years home for teenagers. Parent, Concerned community citizen. Organizing neighborhood Block Watch. Trust me with your concerns regarding high water & sewer rates, emphasis on seniors, low income, as well as single parents. Also security of our drinking water. I would appreciate your support in electing me to represent Skyway Water & Sewer District.

## Jon W. Ault

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jonwault@msn.com



Education: Highline Community College;

Renton Technical College; SMA (Systems Maintenance Administrator),

**Building Owners & Managers Association** 

Occupation: Retired HVAC Master Technician, Valley Medical Center

**Statement:** I have lived in this community for 32 years, and have been your commissioner for 18 years. I am seeking re-election to a position which is often challenging but extremely worthwhile. As a recent retiree I share customer concerns about the rising costs of water & sewer bills. While commissioners struggle to balance affordable rates against much needed capital improvements to aging infrastructure, I have consistently been a voice in support of the lowest possible rates for seniors and low income residents.

My experience includes: 3 terms as current commissioner; 12 years as President of Skyway Board of Commissioners; 16 years Board of Directors member of Cascade Water Alliance. I work hard to maintain up-to-date knowledge of regional water & sewer issues and how they affect us all.

I hope to continue serving your interests, and would be honored to receive your vote.

# If you are contacted by King County Elections

Even if election day has passed, our staff may contact you about the signature on your ballot. Make sure to respond quickly so that we can count your ballot.

Your signature is as important as your vote. Take your time, vote and sign carefully. And be sure to keep your voter registration information up to date.



## Commissioner District No. 2

## M. Chris Monson

4011 Talbot Rd S #210 Renton WA 98055



Education: : Kentridge High School;

Bachelors, Washington State University; Medical Degree, University of Washington Medical School.

**Occupation:** Eye Surgeon (Board Certified Ophthalmologist), Valley Eye & Laser Center.

**Statement:** I grew up in Kent and I have practiced at Valley Eye & Laser with doctors Paul Joos and Peter Jones since 2002. We have offices in Renton and Covington and accept new Medicare and Medicaid patients.

I am running for Commissioner because taxpayers who support Valley have lost their right to elect the board that runs the hospital.

The Alliance with UW Medicine took control of Valley away from the five commissioners *you elect* and turned it over to a board appointed and controlled by UW Medicine that can raise your property taxes!

Here is why you should vote for me and defeat the incumbent Carolyn Parnell

Parnell cast the deciding vote in 2011 to take control of Valley away from the elected commissioners and give control to the appointed board.

Parnell voted to increase Roodman's compensation from \$1.4 million to \$1.6 in 2007 after he was found guilty of illegally spending \$478,000 of hospital money on an election. (Roodman's compensation is greater than the CEO of Harborview and UW Hospital combined!)

Parnell supported a "special" \$1.7 retirement bonus for Roodman in 2007 that the Washington State Auditor found was without any explanation or public benefit.

Parnell opposed requiring Valley's executives to obey election laws.

Parnell opposed requiring Valley's top executives to file financial disclosure reports to prevent financial conflicts of interest.

Parnell voted to extend Roodman's million dollar compensation for two years in 2013 and for 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  more years in 2015.

There is clearly a difference between myself and Parnell.

If you elect me as your commissioner, I will ask the legislature to allow YOU the voters to decide if Valley should be controlled by a board appointed by UW Medicine or by a board elected by the voters.

I hope I can count on your vote!

## Carolyn V. Parnell

16718 133rd PI SE Renton WA 98058



Education: B. S. Small Business Management and Entrepreneurship. MBA's Business Administration/International Business and Human Resource Management.

Occupation: Author and Retired Educator.

**Statement:** Carolyn is the only candidate with a *Documented Track Record* for enhancing *all* aspects of health care for South King County.

Carolyn is the only Commissioner that voted for UW Medicine to affiliate with Valley Medical Center to bring world class medicine to our neighborhoods and lower health care cost; it's working! She also insisted on maximum powers for residents in South King County.

The University of Washington Board of Regents choose Carolyn to be *one* of only 2 people from South King County to serve on the UW Medicine Board to advance health care and oversee the UW School of Medicine.

A natural leader, other Commissioners elected her as *President of the Board*. She advocates for Nurses and other health care staff, and is *Against Excessive Executive Compensation!* 

Health Care Experience: Achieved results for Quality, Patient Satisfaction, Access and Lower Costs through her appointment to Valley Medical Board's Committees for Finance, Facility and Audits, and Quality, as well as UW Medicine Board's committees for Quality/Patient Safety and Finance. Appointments were based on her demonstrated performance.

Carolyn always fights for Patients First and believes that Access to Quality health care is a *Right*. She's expanded Clinical Services, Neighborhood clinics and lowered costs!

Community Service: Decades of service in our public schools, the community, King County and Seattle Metro resulted in public recognitions by King County Executive, the City and the Chamber of Commerce for her selfless volunteerism. Carolyn is President of Renton Area Youth and Family Services (RAYS).

Distinction: Health Care and Community Service Track Record and Recognitions with No Conflicts of Interest.

Please *Re-Elect* Carolyn Parnell, the candidate that truly cares about our community and your family's health!

## Savannah Clifford-Visker

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Education: Bachelor Degree, Central

Washington University; Green River AA, Renton Vo Tech, Liberty High

Occupation: Early Learning Teacher, Renton School District; Working

Mom.

**Statement:** I am seeking your support to represent you as *your* Hospital Commissioner.

I was born at Valley Medical, worked as a hospital volunteer, and my son was recently born at Valley. I trust and support the nurses and doctors at Valley.

Over the years Valley has lost touch with the people of the district. Rich Roodmans' only interest has been to protect his almost 2 million dollar a year salary. Roodman and his cronies spent our tax dollars illegally on campaigns and have now given our hospital away to an unelected, unaccountable board of trustees appointed by Seattle elites.

With contempt and disrespect for the people of this district two individuals removed by the voters as Commissioners were appointed as *Trustees*.

I appreciate the support I recently received from the voters of our district. It is because there are fundamental issues we agree on regarding Valley Medical Center.

We agree..

The Board of Trustees not accepting public comment at their meetings.... must change

The lavish salaries given to Roodman and his inner circle....must change

The secretive process of selecting who will serve as *Trustee*....must change *I will...* 

Respect the people of our Hospital District.

Replace Rich Roodman.

Hire more nurses and pay them more.

Seek to remove from the Board of Trustees individuals who were rejected by the people of this district to serve as Commissioners.

This is our hospital district and our hospital. As a mother, a teacher, and a taxpayer in this district I will return to our Hospital Board of Commissioners a commitment to honor and respect the people of this district. As *your* Commissioner my decisions will always keep the people of this district as the number 1 priority. I will work for you and your family.

Thank you for your support.

## **Lawton Montgomery**

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lawtonmontgomery@hotmail.com



**Education:** National Fire Academy

(Emmitsburg, Maryland); Washington Fire Academy, Spanaway High School, Highline Community College.

**Occupation:** Captain, Kent Fire Department; Instructor Washington State Patrol Fire Academy.

**Statement:** I have been a firefighter for 27 years and know what it really means to serve the public. I decided to run for hospital commissioner because like you and your neighbors, I am very upset control of Valley Medical Center was transferred to Trustees appointed by UW Medicine rather than the Commissioners "we the people" elect.

As many of you know, Valley's CEO Rich Roodman controlled the commission and his yearly compensation ballooned to \$1.6 million and was given \$8.7 million in special retirement benefits and voters wanted change.

Unfortunately, before voters could regain control of the hospital commission Roodman implemented a scheme before the 2011 elections guaranteeing he could keep control of Valley. His scheme was an Alliance with UW Medicine that replaced elected Commissioners with appointed Trustees.

The eight Trustees appointed by UW Medicine can raise your property taxes and may remain in power until 2056. To make matters worse, former Commissioners Kohlwes and Miller who were defeated by the voters were appointed Trustees!

The elected Commissioners fought back and filed a lawsuit to return control of Valley to the elected commissioners. Unfortunately, the courts ruled the agreement constitutional. Therefore, the only remedy left is for the legislature to give voters the power to approve or disapprove the Alliance.

I support Senate Bill 6021 that gives the voters the power to approve or reject the alliance with UW Medicine.

I will fight to replace Valley's CEO Rich Roodman.

I will also fight to rein in the salaries of other overpaid executives at Valley and use the money to hire more nurses.

I support Valley's great nursing staff and doctors and if we all work together we can make Valley an even better hospital. That is my only goal.

I hope I can count on your vote!

## **Commissioner District No. 1**

## Al DeYoung

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Education: Bothell High School

Occupation: Property Investment and Management

Statement: I would like to thank you, the voters of Hospital District #2, for supporting me for the past 36 years as your representative in providing you with safe, quality and affordable healthcare. In the past 36 years Evergreen has grown from a small Community Hospital into the major Medical Center it is today. With a yearly budget of over \$1.3 Billion we are able to provide you with the quality facilities, doctors and staff that give you, including: ten Primary Care Centers; two Urgent Care and three Emergency Care Locations; Wockner Impatient Hospice Center; Home Health Care with Hospice; Family Maternity Center; Halvorson Cancer Center; Cardiac Heart Center; Breast Health Center; Outpatient Surgery Center; Booth Gardner Parkinson Center; Multiple Sclerosis Center; Signature Care; Senior Clinic; Evergreen Health Partners; 24-Hour Helpline; Community Health Access Program; and a top stroke program in the nation.

Among the many awards EvergreenHealth has received for our quality care, Healthgrades the nation's leading provider of independent hospital ratings, named EvergreenHealth a Distinguished Hospital for Clinical Excellence for 2015. This is the sixth consecutive year EvergreenHealth has achieved this designation. Healthgrades ranks EvergreenHealth among the nation's Top 5% of hospitals according to its 4,500 hospital independent study. U.S. News & World Report named EvergreenHealth one of the best hospitals in Washington in the 2014-15 "Best Hospitals" rankings. Among the 36 hospitals in the Seattle area, EvergreenHealth is rated the No. 2 best hospital in the entire Seattle metropolitan area, as well as the No. 3 best hospital in the entire state.

We are now partners with Virginia Mason, Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, and Evergreen Health Monroe. With this expanded partnership we are able to give you the best healthcare of any Hospital in the Puget Sound Area.

It is an honor to be your PHD #2 Commissioner.

## **Commissioner Position No. 4**

## Charles A. Pilcher

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Education: BS, Mathematics, Duke University;

Doctor of Medicine, University of Washington School of Medicine

Occupation: Emergency Physician & ER Medical Director (Retired)

**Statement:** Thank you for allowing me to represent you for the past 6 years on the Board of KCPHD #2/EvergreenHealth. I sincerely appreciate being able to advocate for you to make Evergreen your preferred source for medical care. I am honored to work with four other Commissioners and our Community Advisors who truly uphold their roles as your stewards of this valuable resource.

Because of our amazing staff, physicians and an excellent working relationship among the Board, Administration and Medical Staff, Evergreen regularly ranks as one of the country's top hospitals for clinical excellence.

During my recent term I helped to create and then chaired our Board Quality and Safety Committee. We included experts from aviation, technology and industry to assure transparency and provide external input on our quality journey. I have also served on our Construction and Planning Committee, allowing me to oversee the development of new facilities and business opportunities and assure that every expansion is appropriate and financially sound.

Among our major milestones of the past six years is our affiliation with Virginia Mason. This resulted from over a year of study of options. VM was chosen because we share common cultures that continually pursue excellence. We also opened the new Halvorson Cancer Center which is staffed by physicians from Seattle Cancer Care Alliance. We completed our alliance with EvergreenHealth/Monroe to extend our services into an area already using Evergreen, an area very much like where EvergreenHealth/Kirkland was 40 years ago. We also have developed Evergreen Health Partners and the Puget Sound High Value Network of physicians in preparation for value-driven payments and contracts for healthcare.

I have been a part of Evergreen's journey for 42 years and look forward to continuing my service to you.

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## **Commissioner Position No. 1**

## Joe Dusenbury

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No photo submitted

Education: Bachelor's in Business

Administration - Finance. Central Washington University, 2001

Occupation: Harbormaster, City of Des Moines Marina since 1994.

Statement: When the citizens of Des Moines voted to form the Pool District in 2009 I believe their intent was to keep a swimming pool and aquatic programs in the City. The current and past Board members and staff have done a great job of organizing the District and catching up on deferred maintenance at the facility while keeping overhead expenses low and building a capital fund for future improvements. Now the Commissioners are looking at options for major upgrades to the facility and exploring ways to expand the use of the pool by previously under-served groups in our City. As a life-long swimmer and user of the pool I think a pool is essential to the community and if elected I will work to ensure that Des Moines has a first class pool and swimming programs.

## **Commissioner Position No. 2**

## Eric Kasnick

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No photo submitted

No information submitted.

## Vanessa Zaputil

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Education: University of Victoria, Canada

Occupation: Small Business Owner,

Consultant

**Statement:** It's been my honor to have been appointed to the Tukwila Pool Advisory Committee since 2012, and to currently serve as chair.

My tenure on the Advisory Committee has well prepared me for the role of Pool Commissioner. I am proud of my work on this committee that has advised on Budgets, Capital Projects and encouraged new ideas to be pursued.

My family and I have enjoyed our time volunteering for the many events at the pool and meeting so many of you there.

## Moving Forward

As a 23 year resident of Tukwila, I am dedicated to protecting this essential public asset and *committing the time necessary* to ensure we maintain this facility for our community.

Please vote yes on TPMPD Proposition 1 and I respectfully ask for your vote, and the opportunity to serve you, as a TPMPD Pool Commissioner.



## Commissioner Position No. 2

## Ellen C. Gengler

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**Education:** BA, Marquette University - Philosophy Major, Computer Science Minor,

Certificate of Marketing Communications, University of Washington Occupation: Current: Administrative Assistant to Teaching & Learning – Tukwila School District Past: Director of Marketing, Marketing Communications – Manufacturing & NGO's

**Statement:** My husband and I moved to Tukwila in 1991, and in 1998 I started swimming at the Pool daily. In 2010, learning that the city would no longer fund the pool, I and others formed the grass-roots group required to establish the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District.

The sole focus of the Tukwila Pool Commissioners *must be* the viability and relevancy of the pool to our community. The sustainability of the Pool requires a council of Commissioners *elected by the public it serves*.

My background is marketing communications. I am an avid promoter of the Tukwila Pool. I have assisted in creating marketing plans, flyers and working with community partners.

The Tukwila Pool requires vigorous leadership to guarantee taxpayers' resources are used responsibly and effectively to benefit our community. Please vote Yes to Proposition 1 and please vote for me as your voice for transparency, efficiency and responsiveness.



## **Christine Neuffer**

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Sociology\
Anthropology, Minor in International Studies,

Linfield College

Occupation: Workers Compensation and Occupational Safety

**Statement:** In 2011, I picked up an unbelievable, little scrap of paper at the pool's reception desk asking for volunteers to prevent the pool's closure.

Since then, I have volunteered as a concerned citizen to ensure we have a pool in our community. I helped organize the campaign to save it. Afterwards, I participated in research, budget and policy efforts, advanced user concerns and helped organize events.

I am a committed to ensuring a *quality customer service* experience for each guest of the Tukwila Pool. A guest should feel welcome. The facility should be clean, well-maintained and secure. Personnel and guest should experience a safe, enjoyable environment.

I am also committed to ensuring *sound fiscal practices* regarding the use of taxpayer's money.

Please vote yes on Tukwila Metropolitan Park District Proposition 1. I would appreciate your vote for Commissioner Position 3.

## **Commissioner Position No. 4**

## Jeri Frangello-Anderson

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Education: No information submitted

**Occupation:** Customer Service Representative/Project Manager

**Statement:** I have lived in the City of Tukwila for 25 years. I served on Tukwila COPCAB, Tukwila Citizens Patrol and Tukwila Pool Advisory Committee. My most recent activity I have been very passionate about is the Tukwila Pool and continuing to keep it sustainable and a viable resource to our community.

Swimming brings about very fond memories of my Mom and how she was such an avid swimmer. She made sure that my sister and I was never afraid of the water and had swim lessons every summer. My Mom is why I am so passionate about swimming and water safety.

As a committee member I am currently involved with marketing the pool to the citizens of Tukwila with monthly pool events, swim lessons and various programming. I look forward to serving you, continuing swimming education, water safety, sustainability and healthy living.

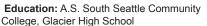
## Regarding write-ins

You do not need to make a selection in every race for your votes to count. You may leave a race blank or write in the name of a different candidate for a race on your ballot. Please, don't write "none of the above" or a frivolous name such as Mickey Mouse or Bigfoot on the write-in line. This creates additional work and expense to count.

Write-in votes are not tallied by name unless the total number could make a difference in the final outcome.

## David Puki

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Occupation: Quality Assurance, Boeing Commercial Airplanes, Tukwila, WA **Statement:** Tukwila Pool has been an essential part of Dave Puki's life since it first opened in 1973. He remembers campaigning for it with his parents in 1968.

When closure loomed in 2011, he eagerly campaigned to save the Pool through the formation of the Pool Metropolitan Park District and is proud that residents voted 63 percent in favor.

Since, he has continually volunteered his time, knowledge and support for renovation and maintenance projects; water safety and scholarship programs; and community outreach and pool advisory committees.

Saving the Pool was important. Sustaining it is imperative. It deserves the undistracted attention of its own board.

As your commissioner, Dave would continue to build a future that expands programming to meet community needs, always maintain a facility in good operating condition and be fiscally prudent to assure long-term financial stability.

He asks for your vote and a yes vote for TPMPD Prop 1.

## Michael Robert Neher

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No photo submitted

No information submitted.





Music is one way I express myself, voting is another.

The Elections Department has options available to vote privately and independently.

Be an informed voter.

## Charter Amendment No. 1 Law Enforcement Oversight

Shall the King County Charter be amended to establish a charter-based civilian office of law enforcement oversight, to provide the office with appropriate authority to carry out its duties, to establish a charter-based citizen advisory committee on law enforcement oversight and to make the county executive, in consultation with the county sheriff, the county's bargaining agent concerning oversight of law enforcement, all as provided in Ordinance 18087?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 111.

## Statement in favor

Our citizens are increasingly demanding greater transparency,

Submitted by: Larry Phillips, Estela Ortega, and Larry Gossett

accountability and oversight in the critical operations of law enforcement. The proposed charter amendment is tailored and balanced to provide the appropriate level of citizen mandated oversight while empowering officers to effectively carry out their duties. Providing greater oversight of the Sheriff's Office comes at a vital time in King County's history as an opportunity to build and maintain trust between officers and the citizens whom they protect. By identifying instances of significant misconduct when they occur, citizens have the opportunity to better protect their fundamental rights against abuse of power. This charter amendment also establishes a citizen advisory committee to review, advise and report on matters of equity and social justice reinforcing law enforcement's commitment to fair and just treatment of all citizens. In a democratic society, effective civilian oversight of law enforcement is essential. The time is now for independent, transparent and accountable civilian oversight of law enforcement. Vote yes to amend the King County Charter establishing a civilian office of law enforcement oversight.

Endorsed by: Bob Ferguson, Washington State Attorney General Faith Ireland, Justice, Washington State Supreme Court (Ret.)
Jenny A. Durkan, Former U.S. Attorney, Western District of Washington

## Rebuttal of statement against

Our current system does not provide the authority, transparency, accountability and civilian oversight citizens in King County and across our nation are demanding. Increasing citizen oversight of critical incidents helps ensure equity while engendering trust in law enforcement's commitment to the use of force appropriately and justifiably. It holds down the financial costs of lawsuits while upholding professionalism and the values of our democracy, leading to more accountability for residents of our community.

## **Explanatory statement**

Charter Amendment No. 1 would establish charter-based requirements for a civilian office of law enforcement oversight (OLEO) and a citizen's For questions about this measure, contact: Nick Wagner,
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advisory committee on law enforcement oversight (Citizen's Advisory Committee). Both OLEO and the Citizen's Advisory Committee currently exist pursuant to a council-adopted ordinance. If this charter amendment is approved, they would become charter-based requirements and would require voter approval for amendment or repeal.

Under the charter amendment, OLEO's authority would be established by ordinance and is anticipated to include the authority to investigate, review and analyze the conduct of county law enforcement officers where there has been a complaint against officers or use of force by them. It is also anticipated to include authority to review resulting internal investigations and disciplinary actions. OLEO would have access to relevant information in department of public safety files and could inspect crime scenes, conduct interviews, and participate in internal investigations and review hearings. It is anticipated OLEO will have authority to publish recommendations and to conduct community outreach. OLEO's director would be appointed by the council for a four-year term.

The Citizen's Advisory Committee would advise and report on the work of OLEO, matters of equity and social justice, and opportunities for improvement in department of public safety practices. The committee's membership would be prescribed by ordinance.

The proposed amendment would further require that for purposes of collective bargaining, matters of civilian oversight of law enforcement that impact wages, hours or working conditions would be negotiated by the executive in consultation with the sheriff.

## Statement in opposition

Office of Law Enforcement OLEO was council created and went through a

Submitted by: Kathy Lambert and Tricia Richards Kathy@KathyLambert.com

prolonged court and arbitration process. This proposal adds an additional level of bureaucracy requiring renegotiations with affected unions.

Assuming our current process is broken is in error. Our Sheriff is extremely proactive in providing oversight with the OLEO office. Issues can be quickly and fairly resolved. Therefore, this proposal is premature, unnecessary, inflexible, and subject to years of union renegotiations.

Currently, there is a layered approach to transparently solving problems. The system has an internal investigation unit and a Citizen Oversight Board. If there were still unresolved issues, citizens could contact councilmembers, the sheriff or county ombudsman. In addition, contract cities provide oversight through their councils.

We're beginning the process of hiring a new full time OLEO director. Any change in the management structure will stall the current recruitment progress into 2016 and beyond . We should allow the current system to operate as designed. County cannot deliver a new model of civilian oversight without negotiations which have already translated into more expensive costs.

Potential problems can be solved under the current system. Our current system provides police transparency and good community service to keep us safe.

## Rebuttal of statement in favor

This charter ignores the facts: We *Already* have a diverse Citizen's Oversight Committee meeting monthly. Enacting this additional level of management will require further negotiations with the affected unions and cause the current director hiring processes to delay into 2016 or later. Now is the time to allow the practices already agreed upon to fully function and operate as designed. This bureaucratic, expensive charter is unnecessary and redundant. Vote *No.* 

## **Proposition No. 1**

## Regular Property Tax Levy for Children, Youth, Families and Communities

The King County Council passed Ordinance No. 18088 concerning funding to improve well-being of children, youth, families and communities. If approved, this proposition would provide funding for prevention and early intervention to achieve positive outcomes related to: healthy pregnancy; parental and newborn support; healthy child and youth development; the health and well-being of communities; and crisis prevention and early intervention for children and youth, including for domestic violence and homelessness. The measure would authorize an additional regular property tax of \$0.14 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for collection beginning in 2016 and authorize maximum annual increases of 3% in the succeeding 5 years. Should this proposition be:

Approved

Rejected

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 113.

## Statement in favor

Every child in King County deserves the best start in life. All kids need support

Submitted by: Nancy Backus, Calvin Lyons, and Dow Constantine www.beststartsforkids.com

as they grow to reach their full potential. Proposition 1 is a bipartisan, evidencebased package that will fund proven programs, deliver real, measurable benefits, and create lasting change.

Early Childhood: Groundbreaking UW research shows brain development is most critical from ages 0-3. Prop 1 provides prenatal support, parent education, caregiver training, developmental screenings, and targeted help for young families facing economic hardship or homelessness.

Behavioral Intervention: Equipping teachers and parents to identify behavioral and mental health challenges—and get kids the help they need—is critical to school success, dropout prevention, and keeping kids away from crime.

Domestic Violence Prevention: Kids should live in nurturing homes. Prop 1 supports programs to reduce the risk of domestic abuse—and to protect victims.

Fiscally Responsible: Currently 75% of county resources go to criminal justice — managing bad outcomes rather than preventing them. Prop 1 moves upstream – into prevention - breaking cycles of poverty and punishment, saving money, and making sure every child can grow, learn, and thrive.

Endorsements: Executive Dow Constantine; mayors and councilmembers; business and union leaders; Boys and Girls Clubs; YWCA; United Way of King County.

## Rebuttal of statement against

Best Starts is a smart investment in preventing problems, reducing criminal justice costs, and creating long-term tax savings. The Seattle Times agrees, endorsing Prop 1: "... the cold-eyed assessment of social-sciences researchers ... finds that \$221 spent on behavioral interventions for kids in child care yields benefits (better grades, fewer disruptions, prevented crime) worth \$31,741..." An independent citizen oversight board ensures accountability. For less than \$5 per average homeowner, Best Starts helps all children succeed.

## **Explanatory statement**

This proposition would authorize King County to levy an additional regular property tax at the rate of fourteen cents (\$0.14) or less For questions about this measure, contact: Adrienne Quinn, Director, Department of Community and Human Services 206-263-7991 adrienne.quinn@kingcounty.gov

per one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of assessed valuation on all taxable property within King County to fund prevention and early intervention strategies to improve the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities. The levy would be authorized for a six-year period with collection beginning in 2016 and with annual increases up to 3% authorized for years two through six.

Levy proceeds would be used to improve the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities, with 50% focused on children under 5 years of age, 35% on children aged 5 through 24, 10% on communities of opportunity, and the remaining 5% as detailed in Ordinance 18088. Funding would go towards services for pregnant women and newborns, access to safe and healthy food, and improved access to mental health services and developmental screening. Funding would also be used for prevention and early intervention on negative outcomes including chronic disease, mental illness, substance abuse, domestic violence and incarceration. Funding would further be used to reduce inequities in outcomes for children and youth in the county and to strengthen, integrate and encourage innovation in health and human services agencies. Of the first year levy proceeds, \$19 million would fund a youth and family homelessness prevention initiative and cover levy election costs.

An oversight and advisory board comprised of county residents and stakeholders with geographically and culturally diverse perspectives would also be established to make recommendations and monitor distribution of levy proceeds.

## Statement in opposition

Basic county services are underfunded. King County is closing

Submitted by: Warren Peterson and George Scott www.smartchoiceskingcounty.com

bridges and returning roads to gravel due to annual maintenance budget shortfalls of over \$100 million. The Sheriff's budget needs millions to return staffing to pre-recession levels. The County Executive recently proposed releasing some felons hours after arrest to cut costs.

This levy sounds nice, but it is a "blank check" without details on how it will be spent. King County taxpayers simply cannot afford this additional \$400 million when King County is not funding basic services.

Due to state-imposed property tax limits, up to 14 Fire and Hospital Districts could lose funding with this levy. There would also be little room left under our taxing authority to fully fund law enforcement, courts, jails, or road maintenance.

Just a few short months ago, the State increased education funding by 19% or \$2.7 billion earlier this year. As former State Legislators we understand these programs are a state responsibility, and recent state budget increases will expand high-quality early learning opportunities for our kids.

Now is not the time for a new \$400 million levy. Politicians need to fund vital county services first, before asking for extras in the County's budget.

www.smartchoiceskingcounty.com info@smartchoiceskingcounty.com

## Rebuttal of statement in favor

King County's Charter, our county Constitution, requires us to fund basic county services first. Our Sheriff's Office has nearly 125 fewer officers than pre-recession and our roads remain critically underfunded. Until we fully fund our county services, taxpayers shouldn't be asked to shoulder Olympia's responsibilities.

This proposed levy lacks specifics. It's a blank check to spend \$400,000,000 without details on how to spend it. Our children deserve organization and accountability, which this levy doesn't provide.

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## **Advisory Proposition No. 1**

## Sale, Possession, and Discharge of Consumer Fireworks in the City of Kent

The Kent City Council is calling for an advisory election to determine whether the sale, possession, and discharge of consumer fireworks should be prohibited in the City of Kent. The prohibition of the sale, possession or discharge of consumer fireworks would not affect properly licensed and permitted public displays of fireworks.

Shall the sale, possession and discharge of consumer fireworks be prohibited in the City of Kent?

Yes

No

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

## **Explanatory statement**

Consumer fireworks are fireworks that may be purchased at fireworks stands in Kent. Currently, under the Kent City Code, consumer fireworks may be

For questions about this measure, contact: Ronald F. Moore, City Clerk 253-856-5728 rmoore@kentwa.gov

sold and purchased from 12:00 noon to 11:00 p.m. on June 28th, and from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. from June 29th through July 4th. Consumer fireworks may be possessed from 12:00 noon on June 28th through 11:00 p.m. on July 4th, but may only be discharged between 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. on July 4th. Under current law, consumer fireworks are prohibited at all other times.

Public displays of fireworks, such as the City's fireworks shows that occur during the 4th of July Splash event at Lake Meridian Park and the tree lighting ceremony in downtown Kent, are subject to strict inspection and permitting regulations. Proposition 1 will have no effect on public displays of fireworks.

Proposition 1 seeks a non-binding advisory vote as to whether the City Council should pass an ordinance prohibiting the sale, possession and discharge of consumer fireworks in Kent at all times, including the July 4 holiday period. A vote of "Yes" on Proposition 1 is a vote in favor of the City Council adopting a law making it unlawful to sell, possess and discharge consumer fireworks at all times in Kent. A vote of "No" on Proposition 1 is a vote against the City Council adopting a law making it unlawful to sell, possess and discharge consumer fireworks in Kent.

## Statement in favor

The personal fireworks situation in Kent is clearly unmanageable. As

Submitted by: Gwen Allen-Carston, Dave McDougall, and Richard Brandau rich\_brandau@yahoo.com

one of the very few remaining cities in the area still allowing private use of fireworks, folks from surrounding cities come to Kent to discharge their fireworks and leave behind a mess for someone else to clean up. A large portion of this year's 38 citations went to people who don't live in Kent.

Legitimate fireworks complaints and other more serious emergencies often aren't able to get through to 911 in a timely manner due to the huge number of fireworks related calls. Response times by EMTs, fire, and police are delayed or worse, don't happen at all. The barrage of loud noises in some neighborhoods was, at times, indistinguishable from gunfire. The noise hampered communication and could put police, firefighters, and ambulance crews at risk. Police who answered a trouble call this year faced exactly this problem.

Fireworks startle animals, frighten children and senior citizens, and can trigger panic in people suffering with PTSD. Individual attempts to compromise and interventions often result in anger, sowing seeds of long-term disharmony amongst neighbors.

Can't we simply celebrate all the 4th means to us by enjoying the permitted, professional public fireworks displays?

## Rebuttal of statement against

The opposition appears to agree with us in their statement that there is a fireworks problem. We agree with them that the 4th of July should be honored and celebrated. However, this is not a rights issue but a community issue as witness most of the surrounding communities having already taken this step, leaving Kent practically isolated and alone to absorb everything. The only sane course of action is to ban all fireworks.

## Statement in opposition

Please join us in voting "No".

There are 2 types of fireworks being used in Kent, *Legal* and *Illegal*.

Submitted by: Richard Wilkinson, Lorraine Brinkmann, and Colin Hauck RNWilkinson@comcast.net

Already *Illegal* fireworks (firecrackers, M-80s, pink stick bottle rockets, etc.) are available at local Indian reservations and bootleggers. They create problems with noise and fires. That's why they are *illegal!* The loud booms you hear, the pink sticks and other rocket debris that you find would still be common in spite of a ban! Local regulations do not apply to sales on reservations. Facts prove cities that ban fireworks often have more noise, fires and injuries due to *illegal* fireworks!

Legal fireworks approved by the State and the Consumer Product Safety Commission are sold by licensed inspected local fireworks stands run by non-profit organizations and individuals. Legal fireworks are enjoyed by many families and bring diverse neighbors together celebrating the 4th in the traditional way, safely and sanely. Many veterans love celebrating the 4th with fireworks and believe they have fought to protect our freedom to do so.

Don't take away another freedom from families that celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> safely and sanely! "Enforce the current laws; punish the lawbreakers, not responsible people!" Please join us and vote "No" on the ban!

## Rebuttal of statement in favor

There is no venue with logistics to support larger crowds watching a professional display.

911 calls would only increase since all fireworks would be illegal. Police would be overwhelmed with fireworks citations.

Noise from fireworks would be louder because people would buy from places that already sell illegal fireworks.

Many veterans enjoy watching fireworks. Children love fireworks.

Banning fireworks would reduce historical enjoyment of the 4th by ordinary citizens because of actions of a few.

## City of Normandy Park

## **Proposition No. 1**

## **Property Tax Rate**

The Normandy Park City Council passed Resolution No. 888 to place the funding of City services before the voters. This proposition authorizes (1) an increase in the regular property tax rate for collection in 2016 of \$0.160840 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, for a total tax rate of \$1.60 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, (2) annual increase of the 2017-2021 levy amounts by four percent, and (3) the use of the 2021 levy amount as the levy basis for future levy calculations as allowed by RCW 84.55. The purpose of the levy rate increase is to provide funds to maintain general government services at current levels.

Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

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

## Statement in favor

In 2012, Normandy Park citizens successfully voted to raise our levy

rate to match those of surrounding cities. The rate was then increased to the statutory maximum of \$1.60 /\$1,000 Assessed Valuation for 2013, declining each year as valuations have increased. The City is limited to raising property tax collections at one percent per year without a public vote, yet the cost of City services continues to grow at approximately the rate of inflation.

Submitted by: Clarke Brant

206-824-2108

Our City is primarily a residential community and is strongly reliant on property taxes. City revenues only provide enough for essential services at very lean staffing levels. There is little left in the budget to cut. If we do not raise the levy rate back to the \$1.60 level, we will have to reduce City staffing, police services, and road projects for the 2016 and subsequent budgets. This could include the loss of two or more Officer positions, which would affect public safety - yours and our Officers. We are already down one Officer position.

The wording of the proposition keeps collections at, or just below, the \$1.60 rate for up to six years.

Keep our City protected and our Officers safe...Vote Yes on Prop 1!

## Rebuttal of statement against

No statement was submitted prior to the deadline.

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## **Explanatory statement**

The City of Normandy Park relies on property taxes to provide basic services such as police protection, street and sidewalk construction, and facility maintenance.

For questions about this measure, contact: Jennifer Ferrer-Santa Ines, Finance Director 206-248-8251 jenniferf@ci.normandy-park.wa.us

Over the last decade, the City's property tax revenues have not kept up with inflation, mandates by state and federal government, and the demand for services from City residents.

Normandy Park's 2015 property tax levy rate is approximately \$1.44 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. If this measure is passed into law, the City will be authorized to levy up to \$1.60 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2016, an increase of approximately 16 cents per \$1,000. For each of the following five years, the City will be authorized annual increases of 4% in the levy each year as allowed by Chapter 84.55 RCW. This will make Normandy Park's property tax rate just less than the \$1.60 rate for the next five years, 2017-2021. This increase will allow the City to maintain services, including police, street and sidewalk, and facility maintenance at current levels. Currently, 10% of the average household's property tax bill is allocated to the City of Normandy Park. The proposed increase applies only to taxes that are allocated to the City, and not to the remainder of the property tax bill.

To live within its means, the City of Normandy Park has cut staffing levels, deferred street and facility maintenance, implemented efficiencies, and explored other revenue options. If this measure is not approved, additional reductions in police and other City services will be necessary.

## Statement in opposition

Submitted by: John Rankin 206-835-2853

In response to years of punishing 6% annual tax increases, Washington

voters passed I-747 in 2002, limiting jurisdictions to a 1% annual increase in actual revenues.

In 2010, our local voters approved splitting the Parks District off from the city, to keep our police, increasing taxes for city services by 38.6%. In 2013, we voted again to approve an increase in the city taxes, to keep our police, permanently increasing revenues by another 13.4%.

With 2015's projected 15% property valuation increase, Prop. 1 increases our actual taxes an additional 25% for 2016, and 6% annually for 5 more years, once again to keep our police. Will this ever stop?

Compounded with previous tax increases, it's a whopping 263% increase in city taxes in only ten years, far more than if our taxes had increased 6% every year since I-747 was passed in 2002!

The problem is not police costs, it's bad fiscal management by the council and staff who wasted millions in litigation costs, attorneys fees, project budgets and, yes, still want a new city hall. Of course we need more revenue, but we deserve a different, better tax package than we are offered here.

Vote No on Prop 1.

## Rebuttal of statement in favor

Prop. 1 offers the taxpayers no tax limit protection! Had it been in place last year when assessed valuations went from \$1.06B in 2014, to \$1.24B in 2015, taxes would have increased 17% in just one year.

Demand a tax plan that delivers the revenue the city needs, but also provides certainty for taxpayers.

Vote No on Prop. 1

## **City of Seattle**

## **Initiative Measure No. 122**

The City of Seattle Initiative Measure Number 122 concerns public participation in government, including publicly-financed election campaigns, and lobbying.

If enacted, the measure would limit election campaign contributions from entities receiving City contracts totaling \$250,000 or more, or from persons spending \$5,000 or more for lobbying; require 24-hour reporting of electronic contributions; require paid signature gatherer identification; limit lobbying by former City officials; create a voluntary program for public campaign financing through \$100 vouchers issued to registered voters funded by ten years of additional property taxes, with \$3,000,000 (approximately \$0.0194/\$1000 assessed value) collected in 2016.

Should this measure be enacted into law?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 117.

## **Explanatory statement**

 Seattle Initiative Measure Number 122 (I-122) concerns public participation in government, sets limits on campaign fundraising and lobbying, changes reporting requirements, increases penalties, includes public financing for election campaigns, and authorizes the City Council to finance it by a property tax increase.

I-122 creates Democracy Vouchers, four \$25 vouchers given to each Seattle voter per city election, assignable to and redeemable by candidates who agree to particular campaign spending and contribution limits. The vouchers may be funded in part by a property levy raising a maximum of \$30,000,000 over its ten-year duration. The 2016 levy is estimated to be 1.94 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value.

Civil penalties for election law violations are increased from \$10/day to \$75/day and a \$250-1000/day penalty is created for violations within 30 days before an election.

Currently, when reporting personal finances of candidates and their families, candidates need only state the income bracket. The current top income bracket is "above \$25,000." I-122 adds more brackets, making "above \$5,000,000" the top income bracket. I-122 also requires reporting market value of stock and candidates' estimated net worth.

Maximum campaign contributions are reduced from \$700 to \$500, adjusted periodically for inflation. Elected officials and candidates are prohibited from accepting or soliciting campaign contributions

from anyone having at least \$250,000 in contracts with the City in the last two years or For questions about this measure, contact: Polly Grow, Seattle Ethics and Elections 206-615-1248 polly.grow@seattle.gov

who has paid at least \$5,000 in the last 12 months to lobby the City. If technologically feasible, candidates are required to disclose electronic transfers into their accounts.

Compensated signature gatherers must display "PAID SIGNATURE GATHERER" on a sign, placard, or badge.

Elected officials and their top-paid aides/employees are prohibited from lobbying the City for pay for three years after leaving the office/position.

The full text of the initiative is found elsewhere in this pamphlet.

## Statement in favor

## VOTE YES on I-122 Honest Elections Seattle!

Our government is supposed to be

of, by, and for the people, but lately it seems that the wealthy and big corporate campaign donors are pushing regular people out of the process.

Nationwide, powerful special interests are spending record amounts to influence elections. Dark money contributions are eroding the power of our vote. The result: government and politicians are more beholden to big money interests than to we, the people.

Submitted by: Nick Licata.

http://honestelectionsseattle.org

Pramila Jayapal, and

Estevan Munoz-Howard

I-122 keeps Seattle of, by and for the people. It ensures our elected officials will **listen to all the people**, not just their wealthy donors.

## Endorsed by the League of Women Voters and progressive leaders

Signed by more than 30,000 Seattle voters, I-122 Honest Elections Seattle is strongly supported by progressive elected leaders, candidates, organizations and small businesses including: **League of Women Voters of Seattle/ King County**, Planned Parenthood Votes NW, Public Citizen, Puget Sound Advocates for Retirement Action, **One America Votes**, Fuse Washington, Working Washington, **King County Young Democrats** and many more.

Vote Yes on I-122 to:

## Limit corporate and wealthy interests' influence on our elections

I-122 shines a light on dark money in our elections by restricting campaign donations from city contractors, regulated businesses, and their lobbyists, by speeding up disclosure of campaign donations, and by setting strict lower contributions limits.

### Keep our elected officials honest

Wealthy special interests have too much power in Seattle. When these interests spend huge amounts of money on elections, that's not free speech; that's buying our candidates. I-122 makes it illegal for city officials to take lobbying jobs immediately after leaving office, and it requires them to fully disclose their assets to help identify possible conflicts of interest.

## Increase participation in the democratic process

I-122 **empowers everyday people** to participate in the democratic process, encouraging more women, people of color, and young people to run for office without depending on special interest money. It **keeps elections in the hands of the voters**, who can support candidates of their choice with four \$25 democracy vouchers. This program is funded either through the general revenue fund or a small tax levy of about \$8/year for a property worth \$400,000.

### Increase transparency, accountability, and fines on rule breakers

I-122 tightens campaign reporting deadlines and establishes strict fines and penalties on those breaking election rules.

Keep Seattle of, by and for the people. Vote Yes on I-122!

## Rebuttal of statement against

**Don't believe the scare tactics.** Former Seattle Ethics and Elections Commissioners (Lynne Iglitzen, Lorena Gonzalez), the **League of Women Voters**, Democrats and progressive leaders, and most Seattle City Council candidates support I-122.

## I-122 shines a light on dark money influence by:

- restricting campaign donations by city contractors, regulated businesses and their lobbyists;
- speeding up disclosure of campaign contributions; and
- empowering everyone to participate in the democratic process, not just the wealthiest few.

Big money interests, including **lobbyists for payday lenders and Shell Oil interests**, are behind the opposition to I-122, using the same scare tactics once used to oppose mail-in-ballots.

This initiative sets **strong safeguards**, **limits and strict penalties** to prevent abuse and fraud. It costs just \$3 million/year, small enough to come from the general fund or the smallest levy in Seattle's history. Learn more: www.HonestElectionsSeattle.org

Vote YES on I-122. Keep Seattle of, by and for the people.

## Statement in opposition

As two former Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission chairs and a former state Democratic Party chair, we know we need election reform. But Initiative 122 is the wrong approach.

Submitted by: Bob Mahon, Michele Radosevich, and Dwight Pelz www.noelectionvouchers.com

The core of this measure rewrites Seattle's election laws by increasing property taxes to distribute four \$25 "democracy vouchers" to every registered voter. Voters are then supposed to donate these vouchers to candidates. But I-122 is so convoluted and untested – no other jurisdiction anywhere has implemented this system – that it creates a host of unintended consequences, introducing new loopholes that are ripe for abuse by special interests.

## POORLY WRITTEN, FILLED WITH LOOPHOLES

I-122 supposedly includes campaign spending limits, but is so poorly written that the limits are toothless. Candidates can raise the full amount of vouchers but then opt out of the spending limits if an independent expenditure campaign enters the race. This means **candidates can double dip** – taking taxpayer-funded vouchers while ALSO raising unlimited additional campaign cash. And I-122 hands out \$41.5 million in vouchers for each election but only funds \$3 million of vouchers per year – so in any election only a tiny fraction of voters can have their vouchers redeemed; others may turn in vouchers only to have them ignored. That's not fair.

## I-122 INCREASES THE POWER OF SPECIAL INTERESTS

This measure will actually introduce corruption into Seattle elections. Distributing millions of paper "democracy vouchers" creates a system where unscrupulous people will inevitably sell vouchers under the table to campaigns. And I-122 actually increases the grip of special interests over politicians – well-funded special interests will direct their members and supporters how to spend their vouchers, steering hundreds of thousands of dollars to favored candidates, so politicians will have to defer to these interests even more than they do now.

## MAKES ELECTIONS LESS TRANSPARENT

Our current campaign system sheds light on who is contributing for anyone to see. If I-122 passes, more contributions will be pushed into less transparent and accountable special interest independent expenditures, the opposite of what a reform measure should do.

## WE HAVE MORE IMPORTANT PRIORITIES

Seattle has many serious challenges to deal with, from affordable housing to education, transportation, public safety and more. Raising property taxes to fund political campaigns when the city has so many other pressing priorities makes no sense

I-122 will make our elections more corrupt and more easily manipulated by powerful interests. Please join us in voting NO on I-122.

## Rebuttal of statement in favor

I-122 proponents may be well intentioned, but they don't know much about how elections really work. There's a reason Seattle elections experts are coming out against I-122 – the core of I-122 remains the deeply flawed "democracy vouchers" idea, which opens the door to a host of new abuses. Yes, our national elections need reform, but contrary to proponents' claims we know that I-122 actually increases the power of special interests and vastly expands opportunities for corruption in local Seattle elections. This measure will undermine reform:

- · I-122 creates loopholes with democracy vouchers;
- · Pushes more money into less accountable independent expenditures, which I-122 does nothing to limit or reform;
- · Invites campaign shenanigans from already powerful special interests able to steer members' voucher contributions;
- $\,\cdot\,\,$  Bars many minority-owned small businesses from participating in the political process.

Please join two former Seattle Ethics and Elections chairs in voting NO on I-122.

## **City of Seattle**

## **Proposition No. 1**

The City of Seattle's Proposition 1 concerns replacement funding for citywide transportation maintenance and improvements.

If approved, this proposition would replace an expiring levy and would fund bridge seismic upgrades, transit corridor and light rail access projects, pedestrian and bicycle safety projects, synchronized traffic signals, street maintenance and repair, freight projects, and neighborhood street projects.

It authorizes regular property tax collections, above RCW 84.55 limits, of \$95,000,000 in 2016 and \$930,000,000 over nine years. The 2016 total regular tax limit would remain \$3.60/\$1,000 of assessed value, including approximately \$0.62/\$1,000 of assessed value in additional taxes.

Should this levy be approved?

Yes

No

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 124.

## **Explanatory statement**

Seattle Proposition 1 replaces an expiring transportation levy and funds safety, congestion relief, and maintenance and repair projects, such as bridge seismic upgrades, transit corridor and light rail access projects, pedestrian and bicycle safety projects, synchronized traffic signals, freight projects, and neighborhood street projects. Proposition 1 raises a maximum of \$930 million over 9 years, spendable on three program categories: Safe Routes (\$207 million); Congestion Relief (\$303 million); and Maintenance and Repair (\$420 million). Each category's expenditure amount may be changed by no more than 10% by ordinance, after a Levy Oversight Committee has had an opportunity to comment. These amounts may change by more than 10% if approved by a 3/4 vote of the City Council.

These categories and other details about the levy are described further in Ordinance 124796, included in this pamphlet. In addition to expenditures using Proposition 1 revenues, the City of Seattle will appropriate at least \$40 million (adjusted by inflation) annually using General Subfund revenues for transportation purposes.

Revised Code of Washington chapter 84.55 limits annual property tax revenue increases to 1% over the highest amount that the City could have received in one of the three most recent years. This limit can be exceeded if approved by a simple majority of the voters. Proposition 1 authorizes the City to exceed these limits to collect no more than the \$930 million referenced above.

In 2016, the first year of collection, no more than \$95 million will be raised. The additional tax rate associated with the Proposition 1 increase for each property owner would be approximately \$0.62 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The City's total regular property tax

rate would not exceed the state law rate limit of \$3.60 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Taxes For questions about this measure, contact: Polly Grow, Seattle Ethics and Elections 206-615-1248 polly.grow@seattle.gov

levied in 2023 for collection in 2024, and later tax levies, would be calculated as if Proposition 1 had not been passed.

## City of Seattle

## Statement in favor

## Creating a Transportation System That Works for All

Submitted by: Ed Murray, Pramila Jayapal, and Jessyn Farrell www.LetsMoveSeattle.com

As Seattle grows, our transportation system must keep pace. That means creating an integrated, more effective system to move people and goods by transit, bike, foot, car and truck quickly and safely. The nine-year **Let's Move Seattle levy** replaces the expiring Bridging the Gap levy by prioritizing required maintenance while investing in new transit projects and safety improvements in every neighborhood.

## Transit and Traffic Improvements to Relieve Congestion

With rapid growth, we need to modernize our transportation network to provide more choices and relieve congestion in every neighborhood. The levy:

- Creates new light rail connections, including the Graham St. Station, I-5 Pedestrian-Bike bridge connecting Northgate Station, and Accessible Mount Baker project.
- Builds a network of seven bus rapid transit corridors to connect neighborhoods with fast and reliable transit, including Ballard, Delridge, Capitol Hill, Madison Valley, Eastlake, Roosevelt, Rainier Valley, Central District, Wallingford, Fremont, U-District, and Northgate.
- Improves the Fauntleroy Triangle in West Seattle.
- Increases efficiencies for freight movement.
- Optimizes traffic signals on 45 heavily-traveled corridors.

### Taking Care of What We Have

The Let's Move Seattle levy prioritizes basic maintenance by:

- · Seismically reinforcing 16 vulnerable bridges.
- Repaving up to 180 miles of arterials.
- Replacing the structurally deficient Fairview Avenue Bridge.
- Improving pedestrian safety on the Ballard Bridge.
- Completing dozens of neighborhood projects annually.

## Safer Streets as the Core Value

To improve safety and reduce traffic fatalities from 20 per year to zero, the Let's Move Seattle levy funds:

- Safe Routes to Schools projects at every public school.
- · Safety corridor projects in high-crash areas.
- 150 blocks of new sidewalks and repair of 225 blocks.
- Pedestrian and traffic safety improvements at 750 intersections.
- •60 miles of neighborhood greenways on residential streets, and separating people driving and biking on 50 miles of arterials.

## Affordable and Accountable

Let's Move Seattle replaces an expiring levy and will cost the typical homeowner about \$12 more per month. The City will apply an equity analysis to all major projects and a citizen oversight committee will ensure accountability.

### **Broad Support**

The levy has unanimous support from Mayor Ed Murray and the City Council and is endorsed by neighborhood leaders and respected organizations including: Transportation Choices Coalition, OneAmerica Votes, Futurewise, Puget Sound Sage, Seattle Building & Construction Trades Council, Feet First, Downtown Seattle Association, Greater Seattle Chamber, Cascade Bicycle Club, Seattle Neighborhood Greenways and more! Vote <u>Yes</u> on Proposition 1.

## Rebuttal of statement against

Let's Move Seattle is an affordable - \$12 more per month average - replacement levy **developed in an open, public process** with over 50 neighborhood conversations, and feedback from thousands.

That's why the levy makes safety and congestion relief investments in EVERY neighborhood - prioritizing 16 bridges needing seismic repair, safe routes for kids at EVERY public school, synchronizing signals to reduce gridlock, SEVEN new transit corridors, and repaving worn roads CITYWIDE.

Opponents mislead on key facts: Over 150 blocks of sidewalks are funded by the levy in North and South Seattle neighborhoods; residents will help prioritize where to build. Councilmembers running in districts citywide voted unanimously to refer this levy to voters. Failure to replace the expiring levy would eliminate 25% of Seattle's transportation budget.

Seattle is growing and our transportation network needs to keep pace. Leaders in neighborhoods, labor, business, and environmental organizations urge **YES on Prop 1.** 

## Statement in opposition

PROPOSITION 1 IS A 58%
INCREASE OVER OUR LAST
TRANSPORTATION LEVY

Submitted by: Faye Garneau, Moussa Samb, and Gene Hoglund www.keepseattleaffordable.com

Seattle is becoming unaffordable for everybody. Skyrocketing property taxes harm retired people trying to stay in the homes they've lived in their entire lives. Higher property taxes harm young families working to keep their heads above water and, yes, higher property taxes translate into higher rents for those of us that rent.

## NO NEIGHBORHOOD INVOLVEMENT IN CRAFTING PROPOSITION 1

This almost \$1 billion "plan" was thrown together in haste without input from the neighborhoods. Neighborhoods were treated to 'presentations' but no real world knowledge from folks who use our transportation system and know what is needed was included. The Magnolia Bridge has been studied three times already, is dropping chunks of concrete on the sidewalk below but this Levy will 'study' it again – not rebuild it. In Wallingford, the proposed cycle tracks would not extend to Stone Way North where a majority of cyclists would actually ride. And in north Seattle neighborhoods that have never had sidewalks – none will be built. We need an honest and transparent costbenefit analysis and neighborhood input to get value and a truly integrated plan that takes us into the next century. Let's work with our new District Councilmembers and create transportation solutions that work for all.

## SEATTLE'S CURRENT TRANSPORTATION BUDGET HAS \$429 MILLION TO SPEND

We have a healthy transportation budget already – why another levy? Levies are for special projects, not for basic needs that should be covered in the City budget. This levy is an open checkbook with many projects listed but few required to actually be done. The previous levy, Bridging the Gap, specifically prohibited levy money on the Seawall and Tunnel projects. This levy has no such prohibition. It is a list of vague categories. Let's plan a list of Seattle transportation priorities with our new District Councilmembers with specific projects we can afford.

## **KEEP SEATTLE AFFORDABLE VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION 1**

If passed, Proposition 1 would be on your tax bill in 2016. Along with the new metro parks district levy the City portion of your property taxes would go up 36%. Homeowners and renters face exploding City levy amounts. The amount we're paying for 'special levies' will surpass our support for schools. Next year multi-billion dollar bond issues and levies will hit the ballot as well. Let's keep Seattle an economically diverse city – **Vote No on Proposition 1**.

## Rebuttal of statement in favor

## Prop 1 is a 155% increase over the last transportation levy.

That kind of tax increase is simply unaffordable to both homeowners and renters. Even worse, to lure your vote in favor of Prop 1, the levy campaign lists numerous projects that might happen IF approved.

Might happen? Really?

Well, the Prop 1 language of this nearly **\$1 Billion** levy reads as follows: "the Spending Breakdown is illustrative only and shall not be mandatory."

Does this mean your money is going to bail out Bertha?

Just say NO to this speculative, desperate attempt by Big Downtown interests to jam through Prop 1 before the City has to work with our new neighborhood-elected Council.

Basic transportation maintenance is part of our City budget. Where is it going? Why isn't the cost of new development paying for itself rather than being dumped on homeowners and renters?

Vote NO on Proposition 1.

## **Proposition No. 1**

## Maintaining Property Tax Levy Rate of Up to \$1.50 per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation for a Six Year Period (2016-2021)

The governing board of King County Fire Protection District No. 2 adopted Resolution No. 2015-01, maintaining the property tax rate at \$1.50. Shall King County Fire Protection District No. 2 be authorized to exceed the 1% limitation on annual increases in tax revenues for six years, maintaining the rate at \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2016, with annual increases of up to 6% for the succeeding five years, and the 2021 levy dollar amount used for computing the limitations for subsequent levies?

(This shall not be construed to authorize an excess levy and shall be subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits, except the 1% limitation required by RCW 84.55.010 et seq.)

Yes

No

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

## Statement in favor

No statement submitted.

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## **Explanatory statement**

King County Fire District #2, serving the citizens of Burien and Normandy Park, is placing a multi-year lid lift proposition For questions about this measure, contact: Mike Marrs, Fire Chief 206-242-2040 ext 101 mmarrs@burienfire.org

on the November 3, 2015 ballot. This proposition will authorize the property tax levy rate to remain at \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for 2016, coupled with annual increases of up to 6% in each of the five subsequent years. The proposition is presented to allow voters to override the limitation imposed by Chapter 84.55 of the Revised Code of Washington, which would otherwise limit total property tax revenue to 101% of the previous year's revenue, regardless of the authorized dollar rate limitation of \$1.50, which voters have previously approved.

This proposition meets the requirement of RCW 84.55.050, that any revenue increase greater than 1%, over the previous year, be approved by the voters.

Approval of this proposition would allow maintaining the current level of services. Rejection of this proposition would lead to the loss of up to \$500,000 annually in projected tax revenues, which would necessitate cutbacks in services, possible layoff of personnel, potential elimination of special services such as rescue teams, and similar cutbacks.

## Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

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#### South King Fire & Rescue

#### **Proposition No. 1**

#### Fire Station, Emergency Response, and Community Safety Improvements General Obligation Bonds - \$39,000,000

The Board of Commissioners of King County Fire Protection District No. 39 (South King Fire & Rescue), King County, Washington, adopted Resolution No. 504 concerning bonds for fire station improvements and firefighter safety equipment upgrades. If approved, this proposition authorizes the District to improve and upgrade fire stations and facilities; upgrade and acquire fire trucks, ambulances, lifesaving and cardiac response equipment, and firefighter safety and other equipment; modernize technology infrastructure for emergency response and basic life support; refund and restructure outstanding District debt; issue \$39,000,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum of 20 years; levy annual excess property taxes to repay the bonds, as provided in Resolution No. 504.

Should Proposition No. 1 be:

Approved

Rejected

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

#### **Explanatory statement**

The population in South King Fire & Rescue is increasing and expected to continue to increase, causing the fire department's call volumes to continue

For questions about this measure, contact: Allen Church, Fire Chief 253-946-7258 allen.church@southkingfire.org

rising. District facilities are badly in need of improvement and rehabilitation to continue to provide 911 emergency services for fire and basic life support. Proposition 1 allows the District to make needed improvements to aging fire stations and facilities including earthquake safety upgrades and roof replacement; modernize technology infrastructure and equipment for firefighting emergency response; and modernize fire station exhaust systems and infectious disease decontamination and related areas to current local and federal standards designed to prevent the transmission of disease and cancer causing agents in the stations.

Proposition 1 would authorize the issuance of \$39,000,000 of general obligation bonds to be repaid over 20 years and the levy of annual property taxes to repay the bonds. Our estimate of the levy rate is \$0.16 per thousand of assessed valuation, which converts to about \$40 per year, or \$3.33 per month, for a residential property worth \$250,000.00. Proposition 1 allows the District to upgrade and acquire fire trucks, aid cars/ambulances, and other equipment for 911 emergency and medical responses; acquire lifesaving and cardiac response equipment for patients and up-to-date safety equipment for firefighters; and improve and acquire equipment to meet current safety standards.

#### Statement in favor

Keep fast 911 Emergency Response. SKFR responds to more than

17,000 calls for firefighting, medical, trauma, cardiac, and other emergency incidents annually. An aging vehicle fleet, deteriorating facilities, and outdated technology compromise firefighter and community safety!

Submitted by: Wayne Corey,

Roger Flygare, and Matt Pina

wayne@corey.cc

Maintain Quality Service. SKFR has earned the best class rating in Washington for overall performance; resulting in lower insurance costs for citizens and businesses within the district.

Replace Response Apparatus . Twenty-year old emergency response vehicles, purchased with the last district voter approved bond, must be replaced to ensure community safety on the road and at emergencies.

Fix Deteriorating Facilities. SKFR fire stations, built 30 to 50 years ago, do not meet current safety and earthquake standards. Significant structural damage may harm first-responders and reduce the district's ability to respond during a natural disaster.

Listened to the Community. A reduced package, Prop. 1 is a comprehensive plan that addresses critical facilities and equipment needs. Projected at sixteen cents (.16) per thousand of assessed valuation, a \$250,000 home, would cost about \$40 per year.

Vote Yes for Prop 1! Please support this bond to ensure safety, compliance, fast emergency response, and a high level of service to our community.

#### Rebuttal of statement against

Responsible. SKFR leadership has demonstrated decades of fiscal responsibility. Faced with a 30% revenue reduction during the recession, they chose to maintain immediate life-saving response through staffing, over equipment and facilities improvements.

Strategic. SKFR's proposals and decisions are based on data analysis, community growth projections, and overall risk assessment; not conjecture.

Value. SKFR provides first-class service at a comparatively low cost. Don't risk personal safety and higher insurance costs.

Please support your fire department!

#### Statement in opposition

We all want our families to be safe, but once again SKF&R leadership is asking you to pay for their mistakes.

Submitted by: Jerry Galland and Matthew Jarvis Jerry@SouthKingFire.Net

This tax increase has nothing to do with your safety or the safety of our emergency responders.

It is about decades of mismanagement, nepotism, childish behavior costing taxpayers tens of thousands, and letting things deteriorate enough that you will agree to give them even more money.

Instead of using existing funds to keep equipment and stations in good repair, SKF&R leadership wastes \$250,000 every year on non-essential pet projects.

The responsible decision, without raising taxes, is sell their 320<sup>th</sup> property, stop sending multiple fire trucks to first aid calls, and add *specialized equipment* costs to *specialized building permits*.

Should voters approve more taxes because of leaderships mistakes, SKF&R will use your hard earned money to buy \$1,000,000 custom *industrial response firetrucks* instead of low cost, fuel efficient *residential response vehicles*.

Respected SKF&R Commissioner Mark Freitas said it best "We have good firefighters, good equipment, good service and now we're asking for a handout because we didn't manage well the resources we had".

Nothing has changed since April to restore trust in district leadership. *Reject* bailing out irresponsible SKF&R leadership.

#### Rebuttal of statement in favor

Why SKF&R wants tax increases for supposed essential needs:

SKF&R wasted \$20,000 dollars to defend fire chief's son in personal investigation; \$43,000 to call 500 voters about Bond; and squandered over \$7,000,000 for unused property.

Hiring family and friends to high paying positions instead of funding essential purchases is not acceptable leadership.

Meanwhile, Lakehaven Utility District accomplishes what eludes SKF&R, responsibly funding \$70million in infrastructure without raising rates or taxes. Demand accountability! Reject Prop1.

#### **Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District**

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#### **Proposition No. 1**

The governing Board of Commissioners of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District currently consists of the Tukwila City Council serving in an ex officio capacity.

Shall the governing Board of Commissioners of Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District be changed to a five member board with directly elected Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District Commissioners?

Yes

No

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

#### **Explanatory statement**

The voters of the City of Tukwila created the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District in 2011 and designated the Tukwila

For questions about this measure, contact: Kate Kruller
Commission President
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kkruller@tukwilapool.org

City Council to serve as the governing body of the Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District.

This proposition gives the voters of the City of Tukwila the option of changing to a governing body that consists of five commissioners that will be directly elected as Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District commissioners. If approved by the voters, the five individuals elected to commissioner positions at the November 2015 election would take office immediately upon certification of the election. The Tukwila City Council members, in their ex-officio capacity as commissioners, would be replaced by this independent governing board.

#### Statement in favor

Currently the Tukwila City Council serves a dual role, both as City Council

Submitted by: Diane B. Myers and Jacqueline Carroll 206-243-1061

Members and as Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District Commissioners. This ballot measure will create a change in leadership, where Tukwila Pool Metropolitan Park District Commissioners will be elected independently and directly by the voters instead of requiring the City Council to serve as pool commissioners.

The Tukwila City Council unanimously voted to place this measure on the ballot.

The reasons for this proposal are simple:

First, independently elected Metropolitan Park District Commissioners will be able to focus solely on the pool's fiscal and operational health. The City Council has a multitude of responsibilities, in addition to the swimming pool.

Second, it allows people with a passion for the pool's mission to provide leadership in maintaining this important community resource.

Finally, it gives more Tukwila citizens the opportunity to lead and serve their community.

This measure does *not* change the taxes that citizens pay to support the pool. Taxes will remain the same.

This measure does *not* change the operations at the pool. The only change will be in the pool leadership that oversees the operations.

Please Vote Yes on Proposition 1

#### Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

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#### Full text of Ordinance No. 18087

AN ORDINANCE providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County at a special election to be held in King County on November 3, 2015, a proposition to amend Section 898 of the King County Charter and add a new Section 265 to the King County Charter, establishing a charter-based civilian office of law enforcement oversight, providing the office with appropriate authority to carry out its duties and establishing a charter-based citizen advisory committee on law enforcement oversight, making the county executive, in consultation with the county sheriff, the county's bargaining agent concerning civilian oversight of law enforcement; and appointing a committee to write the voters pamphlet statement for the November 3, 2015, special election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Findings:

- A. In a democratic society, effective civilian oversight of law enforcement is essential. To protect the fundamental freedoms of all citizens, police are granted the power to detain and use force against some individuals, but there is potential for that power to be abused. Civilian oversight is a safeguard against such abuse.
- B. The creation and maintenance of an independent civilian office of law enforcement oversight is a crucial means of assuring integrity, transparency and accountability in law enforcement and of fostering community trust in, and respect and support for, the King County sheriff and the department of public safety.
- C. By its independent and objective review, a civilian office of law enforcement oversight serves not only to identify police misconduct when it has occurred, but also to reassure citizens and maintain the positive reputations of law enforcement officers when allegations of misconduct are unfounded.
- D. To be effective, an office of law enforcement oversight must, at a minimum, have authority to: investigate, review, and analyze conduct of law enforcement officers that has been the subject of a complaint and the use of force by county law enforcement officers regardless of whether it has been the subject of a complaint; and review and analyze internal investigations conducted and disciplinary action taken by the department of public safety regarding that conduct or use of force. The authority of the office should also include: the preparation and publication of findings, conclusions and recommendations related to the office's oversight of the department of public safety.
- E. An additional vital function of an office of law enforcement oversight is to reach out to the community, listening and responding to questions and concerns that are raised and helping to foster communication and understanding between the community and the sheriff's office.
- F. To do its job, an office of law enforcement oversight must have timely access to all relevant information.
- G. To exercise independent judgment, the director of an office of law enforcement oversight must not fear removal from office prior to expiration of the director's term of office, except for cause by a majority vote of the county council.
- H. Civilian oversight of law enforcement is a fundamental principle that should be enshrined in the King County Charter.
- I. The county council has already established by ordinance a civilian office of law enforcement oversight in K.C.C. chapter 2.75 and a citizens' advisory committee on law enforcement oversight in K.C.C. 2.36.050. This proposed charter amendment is not intended to dissolve those entities or to require readoption of existing code provisions that are consistent with this proposed amendment, but rather is intended to provide the office and the committee with a foundation in the county Charter as well as the county code and to set forth the essential authority of the office and the committee.

- J. K.C.C. chapter 1.10 provides for the publication and distribution of local voters pamphlets in conformity with the provisions of chapter 29A.32 RCW for elections held in King County.
- K. RCW 29A.32.280 provides that for each measure from a jurisdiction that is included in a local voters pamphlet, the legislative authority of that jurisdiction shall formally appoint a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter approval of the measure and a committee to prepare arguments advocating voter rejection of the measure.

SECTION 2. There shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection at a special election to be held in conjunction with the general election on November 3, 2015, the addition of a new Section 265 and an amendment to Section 898 to the King County Charter, as follows:

Section 265. Office of Law Enforcement Oversight.

The county council shall establish by ordinance an office of law enforcement oversight, which shall be a part of the legislative branch. The office shall have a director who is appointed by a majority of the county council to serve a term of four years and until a successor is appointed. The director may be removed from office at any time for cause by a majority of the county council.

The authority of the office of law enforcement oversight shall be prescribed by ordinance and should include: investigation, review and analysis of conduct of county law enforcement officers that has been the subject of a complaint and the use of force by county law enforcement officers regardless of whether it has been the subject of a complaint; and review and analysis of internal investigations conducted and disciplinary action taken by the department of public safety regarding that conduct or use of force. The authority of the office should also include: the preparation and publication of findings, conclusions and recommendations related to the office's oversight of the department of public safety; and community outreach concerning the department of public safety and the office of law enforcement oversight.

To enable the office of law enforcement oversight to exercise its authority effectively, the office shall be authorized by ordinance to obtain all relevant information, including authority to review and copy relevant department of public safety files, inspect crime scenes, conduct interviews and participate in internal investigations and review hearings.

The county council shall establish by ordinance an advisory committee for law enforcement oversight to review, advise and report on the office of law enforcement oversight in a manner that may be prescribed by ordinance. The committee shall also advise the sheriff and the council on matters of equity and social justice related to law enforcement. The committee may also advise the sheriff and the council on systemic problems and opportunities for improvement in the law enforcement practices of the department of public safety. The county council shall prescribe by ordinance the committee's membership, qualifications, and rules and procedures, and the process for appointment of committee members, and may prescribe by ordinance additional duties of the committee.

Section 898 Department of Public Safety Employee Collective Bargaining.

The county council may enact an ordinance providing for collective bargaining by the county with employees of the department of public safety. The county executive shall not have veto power over this ordinance. If such an ordinance is enacted, it shall designate the county sheriff as the bargaining agent of the county on all department of public safety matters except for compensation and benefits, which shall be negotiated by the county executive as provided in Section 890 of this charter, and civilian oversight of law enforcement, which shall be negotiated by the county executive in consultation with the county sheriff. Any agreement reached as a result of negotiations by the county sheriff or the county executive with employees of the department of public safety shall not have the force of law

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unless enacted by ordinance.

SECTION 3. Call for special election. In accordance with RCW 29A.04.321, the King County council hereby calls for a special election to be held in conjunction with the general election on November 3, 2015, to consider a charter amendment as described in this ordinance. The King County 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 county election, the proposition hereinafter set forth. The clerk of the council shall certify that proposition to the King County director of elections in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:

Shall the King County Charter be amended to establish a charter-based civilian office of law enforcement oversight, to provide the office with appropriate authority to carry out its duties, to establish a charter-based citizen advisory committee on law enforcement oversight and to make the county executive, in consultation with the county sheriff, the county's bargaining agent concerning civilian oversight of law enforcement?

SECTION 4. The county 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 special election.

SECTION 5. Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.280, the following individuals are appointed to serve on the voters pamphlet committees, each committee to write a statement for or against the proposed levy:

Ordinance 18087 was introduced on 7/6/2015 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 7/20/2015, by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. Gossett, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski and Mr. Upthegrove

No: 4 - Mr. von Reichbauer, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert and Mr. Dunn Excused: 0



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AN ORDINANCE providing for the submission to the qualified electors of King County at a special election to be held in King County on November 3, 2015, a proposition authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the levy limitations contained in chapter 84.55 RCW for a consecutive six-year period at a first year rate of not more than 14 cents per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation, and limiting annual levy increases to three percent in the five succeeding years, all for the purpose of funding prevention and early intervention strategies to improve the health and well-being of children, youth and their communities.

#### STATEMENT OF FACTS:

- Approximately twenty-five thousand children are born in King County every year. County residents under age eighteen comprise twenty-one percent of the county's population. Nearly half of people under age eighteen in King County are people of color.
- 2. Eighty-five percent of the human brain is developed by age three. According to early childhood development experts, basic skills necessary to be ready to learn in school and be successful as an adult, such as self-esteem, motivation, coordination, prioritization, management of incoming information, attention and distraction control, are developed by age five before children go to school.
- 3. A second significant time of brain development is adolescence. According to the National Institute of Mental Health, the parts of the brain responsible for controlling impulses and planning ahead, which are the hallmarks of successful adult behavior, mature during adolescence. Adolescence is also the critical period when young people learn to form safe and healthy relationships, and when many patterns of health-promoting or potentially health-damaging behaviors are established.
- 4. Although King County as a whole is a thriving, prosperous region, there is evidence that some of our children and youth are in danger of being left behind. The percentage of children five and under living in poverty is as low as four and seven-tenths percent in some regions of the county and as high as twenty-six percent in other regions. Infant mortality is four times higher in some areas of King County than others. Approximately one-third of pregnant women do not receive the recommended levels of prenatal care. One in five adolescents is overweight or obese and only twenty-four percent of adolescents receive the recommended levels of physical activity. Twenty-six percent of adolescents report having depressive feelings and twenty-nine percent report using alcohol or other illicit drugs. Over six thousand King County students are homeless; in some school districts as many as one in ten are homeless.
- 5. Studies have shown that adverse childhood experiences, such as domestic violenc and sexual assault, increase the odds of experiencing homelessness as an adult, as well as mental health and physical health problems. The significance of the impact of those experiences on the development of children and youth emphasizes the necessity of the provision of robust social services and shelter programs for at-risk children and youth in domestic violence and sexual assault situations to prevent homelessness and physical and mental health problems later in life.
- 6. All too often the children and youth who are being left behind and are not receiving services before a crisis occurs are children and youth of color. Young people of color make up at least fifty to sixty percent of youth and young adults experiencing homelessness despite only twenty-nine percent of King County's general population being people of color.
- 7. One of the areas where the disparities in those who do not receive appropriate services before a crisis occurs is the juvenile justice system. African-American youth make up approximately fifty percent of those in detention in King County, or five times their rate of representation in the general population. According to a report from the National Conference of State Legislatures as many as seventy percent of children and youth in the juvenile justice system nationally are affected with a mental disorder, and one in five suffer from a mental illness so severe as to impair their ability

- to function as a young person and grow into a responsible adult. King County is committed to preventing crises before they occur and ending disproportionality in the juvenile justice system.
- 8. The county actively engages in equity and social justice efforts to eliminate racial disparities in the juvenile justice system and the council will consider this goal when deliberating on future policies and plans related to the voter-approved best starts for kids levy.
- 9. Investment in prevention and early intervention can prevent long-term harm of children as they grow up. According to the National Scientific Council on the Developing Child, extensive research on the biology of stress now shows that healthy development can be derailed by excessive or prolonged activation of stress response systems in the body and the brain, with damaging effects on learning, behavior and health across the lifespan.
- 10. Prevention and early intervention are also the most effective and least expensive ways to address serious future problems such as chronic disease, mental illness, substance abuse and incarceration. Science tells us that lifelong problems can be prevented: by investing heavily in children before age five; by making strategic investments at critical points in a young person's development before age twenty-four; and by taking actions to ensure that all children and youth have opportunities to live in safe, thriving, health-promoting home, school and community environments.
- 11. Studies have shown that the return on investment in early childhood development, ensuring that children have a strong start in life, is from three to seventeen dollars for every dollar invested. Similarly, the Institute of Medicine and National Research Council's Preventing Mental, Emotional, and Behavioral Disorders Among Young People report released in 2009 notes that cost-benefit ratios for early treatment and prevention programs for addictions and mental illness programs range from 1:2 to 1:10. This means a one-dollar investment yields two to ten dollars savings in health costs, criminal and juvenile justice costs, educational costs and lost productivity.
- 12. Studies show that prevention has positive economic impacts for business. For example, a healthier workforce can reduce the extent to which health insurance costs and employee absenteeism affects a company's competitive edge. In the United States, full-time employees with chronic disease miss an estimated four hundred fifty million additional work days per year, compared to healthy employees, contributing to a cost of one hundred fifty-three billion dollars in lost productivity every year.
- 13. Many of the county's current funding sources, as well as other public budgets, are dedicated to responding to crises and negative outcomes, particularly negative outcomes for adults, such as severe mental illness, homelessness and chronic illness, and for children and youth who have already dropped out of school or who have been involved in the juvenile justice system. While these are required or necessary expenditures, little funding is available to invest in prevention. For example, seventy-five percent of the county's general fund supports the law and justice system. The veterans and human services levy, because it is focused on services for people who are in crisis, provides for services primarily for adults. Only sixteen percent of its total funding is available to support people under age twenty-four and only eleven percent of the total levy provides for prevention-oriented services.
- 14. In 2014, the shortfall of funding for public health Seattle & King County reached a critical point, threatening the loss of proven prevention and early intervention programs for mothers and families, such as the Nurse Family Partnership home visiting program and maternity support services.
- 15. While the voter-approved best starts for kids levy would allow public health Seattle & King County to continue providing parent-child health services, such as the nurse family partnership home visiting program and maternity support services, the levy would not stabilize King County's broader public health services. The public health fund remains at risk, as long-term public health funding sources have not been identified.
- 16. The majority of levy proceeds from the voter-approved best starts for

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kids levy is intended to go to community partners to provide services in the community. As the levy is being implemented, the county's goal is to ensure that diverse communities and small organizations, including those that are using emerging and innovative approaches to provide services, are able to access moneys in order to provide culturally appropriate services in King County. The county intends to collaborate with these organizations and help evaluate innovative new programs or services so that promising practices become proven practices.

- 17. Services for children and youth will improve as agencies and organizations working with children and youth have opportunities for training, building organizational and system capacity and sufficient resources to administer programs and services.
- 18. In 2010, the county enacted Ordinance 16857, establishing the King County Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan includes as one of its goals Health and Human Potential: Provide opportunities for all communities and individuals to realize their full potential.
- 19. In 2010, the county enacted Ordinance 16948, transforming its work on equity and social justice from an initiative to an integrated effort that applies the King County Strategic Plan's principle of "fair and just" intentionally in all the county does in order to achieve equitable opportunities for all people and communities.
- 20. In 2012, the council adopted Motion 13768, establishing the Health & Human Services Transformation Plan. The Transformation Plan establishes as its vision that, by 2020, the people of King County will experience significant gains in health and well-being because our community worked collectively to make the shift from a costly, crisis-oriented response to health and social problems, to one that focuses on prevention, embraces recovery and eliminates disparities.
- 21. In 2014, the county enacted Ordinance 17738, establishing the youth action plan task force and providing policy direction regarding the development of a youth action plan. The youth action plan task force members helped shape the best starts for kids levy.
- 22. In 2014, as part of the implementation of the King County Strategic Plan, the equity and social justice ordinance, the health and human services transformation plan and as part of the development of the youth action plan, King County staff began examining how the county could balance its investment portfolio towards more preventive approaches that lead to improved outcomes that allow individuals and communities to achieve their full potential. This resulting best starts for kids levy ordinance is guided by and represents a further implementation of the county's adopted policy direction.
- 23. In addition to building on adopted county policy, in developing this best starts for kids levy ordinance, King County staff consulted with experts at the University of Washington Institute for Learning & Brain Sciences and with several groups and coalitions, including the Best Starts for Kids Advisory Group, the Youth Action Plan Task Force, the Transformation Plan Advising Partners Group, the King County Alliance for Human Services, the Youth Development Executive Directors Coalition and several early learning coalitions. County staff also reviewed and consulted with jurisdictions and organizations from around the United States and the world regarding best and promising practices.
- 24. It is the intent of the council and the executive that the strategies supported by the voter-approved best starts for kids levy will achieve a variety of individual and community outcomes. Individual outcomes will include the following: increasing the percentage of pregnant women who receive early and adequate prenatal care; increasing technical assistance to child care providers; reducing psychiatric hospitalizations for children and youth; decreasing the percentage of children and youth using alcohol or drugs; increasing the percentage of children and youth who feel they have an adult in their community they feel they can talk to; and decreasing the percentage of school-aged children and youth in south King County

- who are at an unhealthy weight. Community outcomes will include the following: decreasing inequities in outcomes for children and youth in King County; decreasing suspensions and expulsions, from child care through high school; decreasing disparities in health and well-being outcomes between different areas within King County; decreasing domestic violence; decreasing moneys spent on crisis services, such as incarceration and involuntary commitment; increasing the number of families and children and youth who are prevented from entering homelessness; and improved quality of life index in Communities of Opportunity.
- 25. It is the intent of the council and the executive that funding for the youth and family homelessness prevention intitiative will allow the initiative to be flexible, client-centered and outcomes-focused and will provide financial support for community agencies to assist clients.
- 26. It is the intent of the council and the executive that levy proceeds described in section 5.C. of this ordinance shall be distributed in a geographically equitable manner, in furtherance of the King County Strategic Plan, the equity and social justice ordinance and other adopted county policies.
- 27. The council and the executive recognize the concerns of senior citizens, low-income households, and other vulnerable populations regarding housing costs and affordability. While the county would be authorized to implement a maximum increase of three percent annually from 2017 through 2021 if the best starts for kids levy is approved by voters, it is the intent of the council and the executive to consider economic conditions that affect those senior citizens, low-income households and other vulnerable populations, such as the year-over-year change in the national consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers (CPI-W), as calculated by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, in determining the percentage by which to increase the levy each year.

#### BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Definitions. The definitions in this section apply throughout this ordinance unless the context clearly require otherwise.

- A. "Children and youth" means a person through twenty-four years old.
- B. "Communities of opportunity" means the program launched by The Seattle Foundation and King County in 2014 and memorialized in Contract #5692351, including any successor contract, to support communities in improving the health, social and economic outcomes of the residents of those communities, and to do so by partnering with those communities to shape and own solutions. In the event the formal relationship described in this subsection B. between The Seattle Foundation and King County ceases to be in effect at any point during the life of the levy, "communities of opportunity" means a strategy that is designed to improve the health, social and economic outcomes of specific communities that is administered by the county and developed in partnership with those communities.
- C. "Communities of opportunity interim governance group" means the group and any successor group charged with advising on strategic direction and operations for communities of opportunity. The communities of opportunity interim governance group shall include one appointee of the executive and one appointee of the council, respectively, who shall be confirmed by ordinance. Interim governance group members as of the date of enactment of this ordinance include community partners and representatives from local government, from The Seattle Foundation and from King County. If the proposed levy passes, the group will be reconstituted in accordance with section 7.B. of this ordinance.
- D. "Levy" means the levy of regular property taxes for the specific purposes and term provided in this ordinance and authorized by the electorate in accordance with state law.
  - E. "Levy proceeds" means the principal amount of moneys raised

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by the levy and any interest earnings on the moneys.

- F. "Limit factor," for purposes of calculating the levy limitations in RCW 84.55.010, means one hundred three percent.
- G. "Strategy" means a program, service, activity, initiative or capital investment intended to achieve the goals of this ordinance.
- H. "Youth and family homelessness prevention initiative" means an initiative intended to prevent and divert children and youth and their families from becoming homeless.

SECTION 3. Levy submittal. To provide necessary moneys for the purposes identified in section 5 of this ordinance, the county council shall submit to the qualified electors of the county a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy in excess of the levy limitation contained in chapter 84.55 RCW for six consecutive years, commencing in 2016, at a rate not to exceed fourteen cents per thousand dollars of assessed value in the first year and authorizing a limit factor of one hundred three percent for each of the five succeeding years, which are 2017 through 2021. In accordance with RCW 84.55.050, this levy shall be a regular property tax levy, which is subject to the statutory rate limit of RCW 84.52.043.

SECTION 4. Deposit of levy proceeds. The levy proceeds shall be deposited in a special revenue fund, which fund shall be created by ordinance.

SECTION 5. Eligible expenditures.

- A. Out of the first year's levy proceeds:
- 1. Nineteen million dollars shall be used to plan, provide and administer a youth and family homelessness prevention initiative; and
- 2. Such sums as are necessary to provide for the costs and charges incurred by the county that are attributable to the election.
- B. The remaining levy proceeds shall be used to plan, provide and administer the provision of a wide range of strategies to:
- 1. Improve health and well-being outcomes of children and youth, as well as the families and the communities in which they live, including, but not limited to, by ensuring adequate services and supports for pregnant women and newborns; access to safe and healthy food; support for hospitals and other mental health providers in King County to provide children and youth with access to mental health services; and developmental screening for children and youth;
- 2. Prevent and intervene early on negative outcomes, including, but not limited to, chronic disease, mental illness, substance abuse, homelessness, domestic violence and incarceration;
- 3. Reduce inequities in outcomes for children and youth in the county; and
- 4. Strengthen, improve, better coordinate, integrate and encourage innovation in health and human services systems and the agencies, organizations and groups addressing the needs of children and youth, their families and their communities.
- C. Of the eligible expenditures described in subsection B. of this section:
- 1. Fifty percent shall be used to plan, provide and administer strategies focused on children and youth under five years old and their caregivers, pregnant women and for individuals or families concerning pregnancy. Of these moneys, not less than \$42.8 million shall be used to provide health services, such as maternity support services and nurse family partnership home visiting program services;
- 2. Thirty-five percent shall be used to plan, provide and administer strategies focused on children and youth ages five through twenty-four years old;

- 3. Ten percent shall be used to plan, provide and administer communities of opportunity; and
- 4. Five percent shall be used to plan, fund and administer the following:
  - a. evaluation and data collection activities;
- b. activities designed to improve the delivery of services and programs for children and youth and their communities;
- c. services identified in subsection B. of this section provided by metropolitan park districts in King County. Of these moneys identified in this subsection C.4.c., an amount equal to the lost revenues to the metropolitan park districts resulting from prorationing as mandated by RCW 84.52.010, up to one million dollars, shall be provided to those metropolitan park districts if authorized by the county council by ordinance; and
- d. services identified in subsection B. of this section provided by fire districts, in an amount equal to the lost revenues to the fire districts in King County resulting from prorationing, as mandated by RCW 84.52.010, for those services, to the extent the prorationing was caused solely by this levy and if authorized by the county council by ordinance.

SECTION 6. Call for special election. In accordance with RCW 29A.04.321, the King County council hereby calls for a special election to be held in conjunction with the general election on November 3, 2015, to consider a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy for the purposes described in this ordinance. The King County 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 county election, the proposition hereinafter set forth. The clerk of the council shall certify that proposition to the director of elections in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION\_\_\_\_; The King County Council has passed Ordinance \_\_\_\_\_ concerning funding to improve well-being of children, youth, families and communities. If approved, this proposition would provide funding for prevention and early intervention to achieve positive outcomes related to: healthy pregnancy; parental and newborn support; healthy child and youth development; the health and well-being of communities; and crisis prevention and early intervention for children and youth, including for domestic violence and homelessness. The measure would authorize an additional regular property tax of \$0.14 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for collection beginning in 2016 and authorize maximum annual increases of 3% in the succeeding 5 years.

#### SECTION 7. Governance.

A. If the levy is approved by the voters, an oversight and advisory board shall be established by ordinance to serve as the oversight and advisory board for the portion of the levy proceeds described in section 5.C.1., 2. and 4. of this ordinance. The executive shall transmit to the council by December 1, 2015, a plan relating to the oversight and advisory board and a proposed ordinance that identifies the duties and composition of the oversight and advisory board. The duties of the oversight and advisory board shall include making recommendations on and monitoring the distribution of levy proceeds. The oversight and advisory plan shall be consistent with the recommendations contained in the county's youth action plan, adopted by Motion 14378. The oversight and advisory board shall be comprised of a wide array of King County residents and stakeholders with geographically and culturally diverse perspectives.

B. The communities of opportunity interim governance group shall serve as the advisory board for levy proceeds described in section 5.C.3. of this ordinance. The executive shall transmit to the council by December 1, 2015, a plan relating to the communities of opportunity interim governance group and a proposed ordinance that identifies the composition and duties of the interim governance group with respect to the levy proceeds described in section 5.C.3. of this ordinance.

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SECTION 8. Implementation plans.

A. The executive shall transmit to the council an implementation plan that identifies the strategies to be funded and outcomes to be achieved with the use of levy proceeds described in section 5.A.1. of this ordinance. This implementation plan relating to the youth and family homelessness prevention initiative shall, to the maximum extent possible, be developed in collaboration with the oversight and advisory board and shall be transmitted to the council by March 1, 2016, for council review and approval by ordinance.

- B. The executive shall transmit to the council an implementation plan that identifies the strategies to be funded and outcomes to be achieved with the use of levy proceeds described in section 5.C. of this ordinance. The implementation plan shall be developed in collaboration with the oversight and advisory board and the communities of opportunity interim governance group, as applicable. The implementation plan shall, to the maximum extent possible, take into consideration the county's youth action plan, adopted by Motion 14378, and any recommendations of the county's steering committee to address juvenile justice disproportionality that was formed in 2015 that are adopted into policy. Along with the implementation plan required by this subsection B., the executive shall transmit to the council for approval by motion a policy that identifies the economic indicators the council should consider each year in determining the percentage by which to increase the levy for the subsequent year. The motion shall also include the executive's recommendations for the percentage by which the levy should change based on changes in the identified economic indicators. The implementation plan shall be transmitted to the council by June 1, 2016, for council review and approval by ordinance.
- C. Levy proceeds may not be expended for the purposes described in section 5.A. and C. of this ordinance until the date on which the applicable implementation plan is approved by ordinance, .except for planning funds, which shall be approved by ordinance and not exceed two million dollars, the funds required for elections costs described in section 5.A.2. of this ordinance, and funds for public health services described in section 5.C.1. of this ordinance
- D. The implementation plans described in subsections A. and B. of this section shall each include a proposal for an annual reporting process to the council, including the regional policy committee or a successor committee.

SECTION 9. Ratification. Certification of the proposition by the clerk of the county council to the director of elections in accordance with law before the election on November 3, 2015, and any other act consistent with the authority and before the effective date of this ordinance are hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 10. 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.

Ordinance 18088 was introduced on 5/4/2015 and passed as amended by the Metropolitan King County Council on 7/20/2015, by the following vote:

Yes: 8 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. von Reichbauer, Mr. Gossett, Ms. Hague, Ms. Lambert, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Dembowski and Mr. Upthegrove

No: 1 - Mr. Dunn

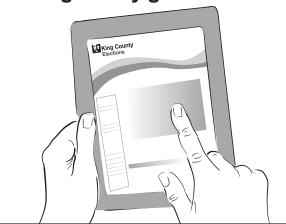
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AN ACT relating to reducing the influence of money, ensuring accountability,

and preventing corruption in City of Seattle government.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF SEATTLE:

**Section 1.** A new Subchapter VIII titled, "Honest Elections Seattle," is added to the Seattle Municipal Code, Chapter 2.04 - ELECTION CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS, as follows:

NEW SECTION 2.04.600 - Purpose and Authority. (a) Purpose. This people's initiative measure builds honest elections in the City of Seattle ("City" or "Seattle") and prevents corruption, by: giving more people an opportunity to have their voices heard in our democracy; ensuring a fair elections process that holds our elected leaders accountable to us by strengthening voters' control over City government; banning campaign contributions by City contractors and entities using paid lobbyists; lowering campaign contribution limits; tightening prohibitions on lobbying by former elected officials (the "revolving door" problem); expanding requirements for candidates to disclose their financial holdings and interests: and increasing fines on violators of campaign rules. This measure also creates a Democracy Voucher campaign public finance program ("Democracy Voucher Program" or "Program") to expand the pool of candidates for city offices and to safeguard the people's control of the elections process in Seattle. (b) Authority of the People. The People have vested legislative powers of the City in a Mayor and City Council, but reserved to themselves independent of the Mayor and the City Council the power to propose for themselves measures dealing with any matter within the realm of local affairs or municipal business. That power includes the use of an initiative petition to submit to the qualified electors of the city a measure as authorized by RCW 84.55.050 to exceed the limitations of regular property taxes contained in RCW Chapter 84.55, as it now exists or may hereinafter be amended. The authority of the people to adopt this measure is also specifically authorized and reserved to the electors of the City of Seattle by RCW 42.17A.550, which allows a city to use locally derived public funds (whether from taxes, fees, penalties or other sources) to publicly finance local political campaigns, if the proposal to do so is submitted to City of Seattle voters for their adoption and approval, or rejection.

## NEW SECTION 2.04.601 – No Campaign Contributions from City Contractors or their PACs.

No Mayor, City Council member or City Attorney or any candidate for any such position shall knowingly accept any contribution directly or indirectly from any entity or person who in the prior two years has earned or received more than \$250,000, under a contractual relationship with the City. No Mayor, City Council member or City Attorney or any candidate for any such position shall knowingly solicit a contribution for himself or herself or for any political party, political committee, campaign committee or public office fund, directly or indirectly from any entity or person who in the prior two years has earned or received more than \$250,000, under a contractual relationship with the City. If the first sentence of this section is invalidated then no Mayor, City Council member or City Attorney or any candidate for any such position shall knowingly accept any contribution of more than \$250 in one calendar year. directly or indirectly, from any entity or person who in the prior two years has earned or received more than \$250,000, under a contractual relationship with the City. If the second sentence of this section is invalidated then no Mayor, City Council member or City Attorney or any candidate for any such position shall knowingly solicit a contribution of more than \$250, for himself or herself or for any political party, political committee, campaign committee or public office fund, directly or indirectly from any entity or person who in the prior two years has earned or received more than \$250,000, under a contractual relationship with the City. In all cases such a candidate or office holder may solicit and accept assignment of Democracy Vouchers without such solicitation or assignment being considered a violation of this section. If any

part of this section is held invalid the remainder shall be construed to effect the anticorruption purposes of this section to the maximum extent allowable.

NEW SECTION 2.04.602 - No Campaign Contributions From Regulated Corporations/Industries that Hire Lobbyists. No Mayor, City Council member or City Attorney or any candidate for any such position shall knowingly accept any contribution directly or indirectly from any entity or person who during the past 12 month period has paid \$5,000 or more to a lobbyist or lobbying entity (as such terms are defined in SMC 2.06.010) for lobbying the City of Seattle. No Mayor, City Council member or City Attorney or any candidate for any such position shall knowingly solicit a contribution, for himself or herself or for any political party, political committee, campaign committee or public office fund, from any entity or person who during the past 12 month period has paid \$5.000 or more to a lobbyist or lobbying entity (as such terms are defined in SMC 2.06.010) for lobbying the City of Seattle. If the first sentence of this section is invalidated, then no Mayor, City Council member or City Attorney or any candidate for any such position shall knowingly accept any contribution of more than \$250 in any one calendar year, directly or indirectly from any entity or person who during the past 12 month period has paid \$5,000 or more to a lobbyist or lobbying entity (as such terms are defined in SMC 2.06.010) for lobbying the City of Seattle. If the second sentence of this section is invalidated, then no Mayor, City Council member or City Attorney or any candidate for any such position shall knowingly solicit a contribution of more than \$250, for himself or herself or for any political party, political committee, campaign committee or public office fund, from any entity or person who during the past 12 month period has paid \$5,000 or more to a lobbyist or lobbying entity (as such terms are defined in SMC 2.06.010) for lobbying the City of Seattle. In all cases such a candidate or office holder may solicit and accept assignment of Democracy Vouchers without such solicitation or assignment being considered a violation of this section. If any part of this section is held invalid the remainder shall be construed to effect the anticorruption purposes of this section to the maximum extent allowable.

NEW SECTION 2.04.605 - Expedited Reporting of Electronic **Contributions.** To ensure the Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission ("SEEC") creates an electronic reporting system that increases transparency, does not discriminate against low budget campaigns, and takes advantage of advances in information technology, all candidates for City of Seattle electoral offices shall report to the Seattle City Clerk any campaign contribution made electronically upon deposit into a candidate's account; provided that this provision shall take effect only after SEEC shall have determined that there are two or more electronic payment processing companies that have the capacity to report contributions to the SEEC as soon as the contribution is transferred to the candidate's account. To give campaigns time to prepare for this section, SEEC shall establish the effective date of this section by rule published reasonably in advance of the election cycle in which campaigns shall comply. SEEC shall ensure that before a contribution is required to be publicly disclosed as received by a campaign it shall have reasonable opportunity to reject or return undesired or illegal contributions.

NEW SECTION 2.04.606 – Signature Gatherers Must Disclose if Paid for Signatures. Any person or entity that is a compensated or paid signature gatherer for any City of Seattle ballot measure, initiative, referendum, or charter amendment shall disclose to each person from whom a signature is sought, in writing via a conspicuous, legible sign, placard, or badge, stating "PAID SIGNATURE GATHERER."

NEW SECTION 2.04.607 - Three-year Ban on Mayor, Councilmember, City Attorney or Top Staff Paid Lobbying. A former Mayor, City Council member, City Attorney, or City Department head or the highest paid aide or employee directly reporting to any of the foregoing, may not, during the period of three years after leaving City office or position, participate in paid lobbying as defined in SMC 2.06.010. If the foregoing sentence is invalidated, then a former Mayor, City Council member, City Attorney, or City Department head or the highest paid aide or employee

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directly reporting to any of the foregoing, may not, during the period of two years after leaving City office or position, participate in paid lobbying as defined in SMC 2.06.010.

NEW SECTION 2.04.620 - The Right to \$100 in Democracy Vouchers. For Assignment to Qualified Candidates. (a) Democracy Vouchers. Democracy Vouchers are vital to ensure the people of Seattle have equal opportunity to participate in political campaigns and be heard by candidates, to strengthen democracy, fulfill other purposes of this subchapter and prevent corruption.

(b) Issuance of Democracy Vouchers. On the first business day in every municipal election year, SEEC shall mail to each person who was by the previous November 15th, duly registered to vote in the City of Seattle, at his or her address in the voter registration records, \$100 in vouchers ("Democracy Vouchers") consisting of four Democracy Vouchers of \$25 each, except that SEEC may deliver Democracy Vouchers online or in other manners if the person receiving same elects other manner of delivery as provided in this subchapter. Thereafter SEEC shall regularly issue \$100 in Democracy Vouchers to any person becoming a duly registered City of Seattle voter after the previous November 15th, up until October 1st of the election year. To be consistent with federal law, any adult natural person who resides more than 30 days in the City of Seattle, and who is a registered voter, or is eligible to vote under local, state or federal law, or who is eligible under federal law to donate to a political campaign, but who has not received any Democracy Vouchers in the election cycle, may opt in to the Program and obtain an equivalent number of Democracy Vouchers by application to SEEC. Any eligible adult may request Democracy Vouchers be mailed or emailed to an address other than that indicated in the voter registration records, or be delivered at SEEC offices, as soon as SEEC shall have developed a secure system for such distributions of Democracy Vouchers, including distribution online, in person, or to an address not listed in voter registration records. No resident outside Seattle, no corporation or other non-human entity, no person under the age of 18 years, and no person ineligible to make political contributions under federal law, may receive a Democracy Voucher.

(c) Form of Democracy Vouchers. Each \$25 Democracy Voucher shall state the holder's name, a unique voucher identification number, the election year, and words of assignment with blank spaces for the holder to designate a candidate and sign the holder's name, and may include information SEEC deems helpful for verifying signatures such as the voter identification number and barcode, in substantially the following form:

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I attest that I obtained this Democracy Voucher properly and make this assignment freely, voluntarily and without duress or in exchange for any payment of any kind for this assignment, and not for any consideration of any kind, and that I am aware that assignment does not guarantee availability of funds and is irrevocable. Assignment is complete upon delivery to Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission, the named candidate, or her or his registered representative. Sale/transfer for consideration of this Democracy Voucher is strictly prohibited. Voucher may be redeemed only by qualifying candidates and only if such candidate has complied with additional contributions and spending limits and if funds are available.

Signed: _	on	,
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#### Jane Q. Public

#### Voucher ID #123.456.789

- (d) Assignment of Democracy Vouchers. Vouchers are only transferable or assignable as stated herein. Any person properly obtaining and holding a Democracy Voucher may assign it by writing the name of the assignee candidate, and signing the holder's name on and dating the Voucher where indicated thereon, and delivering the signed and dated Voucher to the candidate, or to SEEC, or to any candidate's representative who shall be registered for this purpose with SEEC. Delivery may be by mail, in person (by any person the holder requests to deliver the voucher), or electronically via a secure SEEC online system. SEEC shall establish a secure online system for delivery of Democracy Vouchers (without prejudice to any eligible person's right to receive Democracy Vouchers in the mail at his or her option) no later than prior to the 2017 election cycle, unless SEEC determines this target date is not practicable; and in any event no later than the 2019 election cycle.
- (e) Limitations on Assignment. A person may only assign a Voucher to a candidate who has chosen to participate in the Seattle Democracy Voucher Program and who has filed a signed statement of participation and pledge with SEEC as described below. No Democracy Voucher may be assigned after the last business day in November following the election, or to any candidate filing for participation who then fails to qualify or becomes unqualified for the position sought or for the Program. A candidate or registered candidate representative may seek assignment in person or through representatives or by assisting a voter to access the SEEC secure online system. A valid assignment is irrevocable. A person may assign any number of his or her Democracy Vouchers to the same candidate in a given year. Assignment or transfer for cash or any consideration is prohibited. Offering to purchase, buy or sell a Democracy Voucher is prohibited. No person may give or gift a Democracy Voucher to another person, except by assigning it to a candidate as provided herein. Democracy Vouchers have no cash value and are not assets, income or property of the holder. A Democracy Voucher may not be assigned by proxy, power of attorney or by an agent.
- (f) Assignor Assumes Certain Risks. A Democracy Voucher expires if the holder is no longer resident in the City of Seattle, or no longer or not eligible to make political contributions under federal law, if such circumstances take place prior to the assignment to a qualified candidate. The holder of a Democracy Voucher assumes the risk that he or she may change his or her mind after assignment, or that the Democracy Voucher may not have use or be redeemed due to any contingency, including but not limited to unavailability of Program funds; the assignee candidate reaching the "Campaign Spending Limit" (described and defined below); a candidate's death, disqualification, dropping out, failure to redeem or use the Democracy Voucher; a candidate's not qualifying or violating the terms of qualification; or otherwise.

NEW SECTION 2.04.630 - Candidates to Qualify By Showing Grass Roots Support and Agreeing to New Campaign and Contribution Limits; Redemption of Democracy Vouchers; New Limits on Use of Funds.

- (a) Only Qualified Candidates Redeem Democracy Vouchers. Only a candidate who has filed with SEEC for participation in the Seattle Democracy Voucher Program may receive assignment of a Democracy Voucher. Only a candidate certified as qualified by SEEC may redeem a Democracy Voucher. Only a person eligible for and seeking the office of Mayor, City Attorney or City Council shall be eligible to file for Program participation.
- (b) Requirements for Program. To seek qualification, the candidate shall file with SEEC, on or after July 1st the year before an election year and within two weeks after filing a declaration of candidacy, a sworn statement attesting to his or her intent to participate, asserting that the candidate shall timely file or has filed a declaration of candidacy for the office indicated, and that the candidate shall comply with Program requirements and applicable campaign laws. Such Program requirements are that the candidate: shall take part in at least three public debates for primary and general elections

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each (as defined by SEEC, and SEEC may waive or reduce the number of debates, if a qualifying candidate makes all reasonable efforts to participate in debates and similar public events); shall comply with campaign laws and spending and contribution limits; and, the candidate shall not knowingly solicit money for or on behalf of any political action committee, political party, or any organization that will make an independent expenditure for or against any City of Seattle candidate within the same election cycle (for the purposes of this section, appearing as a featured speaker at a fundraising event for a committee or entity shall constitute soliciting money for such committee or entity). Further Program requirements are that a candidate for Mayor shall not solicit or accept total contributions from any individual or entity in excess of a total of \$500 during one election cycle, and a candidate for City Attorney or City Council shall not solicit or accept total contributions from any individual or entity in excess of a total of \$250 during one election cycle (including any contribution used to qualify for Democracy Vouchers, but excluding the value of Democracy Vouchers assigned to such candidate) (subject to exceptions provided herein).

- (c) Qualifying Contributions. To qualify for the Democracy Voucher Program, candidates shall show they have received at least the following numbers of "Qualifying Contributions" of at least \$10 but not more than the Program contribution limit for the office sought provided in SMC 2.04.630(b) from individual adults (18 years of age or older), who are human natural persons residing in the City of Seattle, and eligible under federal law to make political contributions: Mayoral candidates, at least 600; City Attorney candidates, at least 150; at-large City Council candidates, at least 400; and district City Council candidates, at least 150 (of which at least 75 shall be from individuals residing in the district sought to be represented by the candidate). SEEC shall maintain a list of qualified candidates and make it readily accessible to the public, including by publishing it on SEEC's website.
- (d) Campaign Spending Limit. Participating candidates shall comply with all campaign laws and not exceed the following "Campaign Spending Limits" (defined as (i) money spent to date (equal to prior expenditures, plus debts and obligations), and the value of any in kind donations reported, plus (ii) cash on hand and (iii) the value of unredeemed Vouchers on hand which the candidate shall have allocated to the primary or general election): Mayor \$400,000 for the primary election, and \$800,000 total (for both primary and general election); City Attorney, \$75,000 for the primary election, and \$150,000 total; at-large City Council, \$150,000 for the primary election and \$150,000 total; district City Council, \$75,000 for the primary election and \$150,000 total.
- (e) Further Limits on Redemption. A qualified candidate may collect Democracy Vouchers for the general election before the primary election takes place and allocate same to the general election without such Vouchers counting against the Campaign Spending Limit for the primary election, but may not redeem Vouchers for the general election unless such candidate advances to the general election.
- (f) Remedies for Exceeding Campaign Spending Limit. If a qualified candidate demonstrates to SEEC that he or she has an opponent (whether or not participating in the Program) whose campaign spending has exceeded the Campaign Spending Limit for the position sought as indicated above, where SEEC deems the excess material it shall allow such candidate to choose to be released from the Campaign Spending Limit and campaign contribution limits for the Program, in which case SEEC shall allow such candidate to redeem his or her Democracy Vouchers received theretofore or thereafter up to the amount of the Campaign Spending Limit only, then allow such candidate to engage in campaign fundraising without regard to any Program requirements. SEEC shall also release a qualifying candidate from the Campaign Spending Limit to the extent that it is shown (on application of a Seattle candidate or citizen) that said qualified candidate faces independent expenditures as defined in SMC 2.04.010 adverse to the candidate or in favor of an opponent and the sum of such independent expenditures plus said candidate's opponent's campaign spending materially exceeds the Campaign Spending Limit for that office.

- (g) Loss of Qualification. A candidate loses qualification for the Program by publicly announcing withdrawal, abandoning the race, failing to advance to the general election, or if SEEC finds sufficient material violations of election laws or Program requirements such as violation of spending or contribution limits, or fraudulent or attempted fraudulent assignment of Democracy Vouchers.
- (h) Redemption of Vouchers. SEEC shall redeem Democracy Vouchers only after verifying the assignment by ensuring the Voucher was issued to an eligible person, and verifying the signature written in the words of assignment, and only if redemption shall not put the candidate over the Campaign Spending Limit and only if Program funds are available. To verify signatures SEEC may employ the division of King County Records and Elections which verifies signatures for initiative petitions or mail-in ballots. SEEC shall redeem Democracy Vouchers on published regular redemption dates that shall be no less frequent than twice a month and may redeem Vouchers on other dates notified in advance if SEEC deems it practicable. SEEC shall not redeem any Democracy Voucher received by SEEC after the first business day in the month of December after the general election.
- (i) Limits on Use of Voucher Proceeds. Candidates shall use Democracy Voucher proceeds only for campaign costs or debts for the relevant office and election cycle, and may not use such proceeds after a reasonable period (to be set by SEEC) following the election to pay campaign debts. Candidates shall not use Democracy Voucher proceeds for any cash payments or in violation of any law; nor to pay the candidate (except to repay or reimburse a loan to his or her political committee or campaign in an amount not greater than that provided in RCW 42.17A.445(3) or WAC 390-05-400) or pay a member of the candidate's immediate family as defined in RCW 4.16.030; pay any entity in which the candidate or an immediate family member holds a ten percent or greater ownership interest; pay any amount over fair market value for any services, goods, facilities or things of value; pay any penalty or fine; or pay any inaugural costs or office funds cost.
- (j) Return of Democracy Voucher Proceeds. A candidate who has redeemed a Democracy Voucher, then withdraws, dies, becomes ineligible, loses qualification, or is eliminated in any primary or general election or wins a general election, shall within a reasonable period, as defined by SEEC, pay all debts and obligations, account to SEEC and restore to SEEC and the Program "Unspent Democracy Voucher Proceeds." SEEC shall define "Unspent Democracy Voucher Proceeds" by rule.

NEW SECTION 2.04.658 - Transparency. Assigning a Democracy Voucher is a public act and recipients of Democracy Vouchers shall expect same to be public and made public and shall have no expectation of privacy in registering to obtain Democracy Vouchers or in assigning same. All Democracy Voucher holders are on notice the process is public and transparent, except that SEEC shall not publish mail, email or other addresses to which Democracy Vouchers are sent. SEEC shall make transparent at its offices and on its website all assignments and redemptions of Democracy Vouchers including recipient name, Democracy Voucher identification number and suffix, date assigned, to whom assigned, when redeemed and amount redeemed. SEEC shall provide other necessary means to make the Seattle Democracy Voucher process and Program open and transparent so that each Democracy Voucher recipient and the media and public may track assignments of Democracy Vouchers to assist in exposing any potential forgery, fraud, or misconduct regarding same. If a Democracy Voucher recipient believes that his or her Democracy Voucher was lost, stolen or fraudulently or improperly assigned or redeemed, SEEC shall require a notarized declaration or affidavit or additional process in its judgment to find the relevant facts then provide relief it deems appropriate including Democracy Voucher replacement, cancellation of assignment or reimbursement of any improperly obtained Program funds. SEEC shall promulgate rules and regulations for such proceedings and cases where it receives duplicate copies of the same Democracy Voucher and shall ensure that any Democracy Voucher recipient may attempt to show, without any filing fee or charge, the facts of loss, theft, destruction or forgery of or duress

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in or other improper acts concerning or in the assignment of the Democracy Voucher. Such process shall include procedures through mails or in person and shall include an online process when and if SEEC develops same. SEEC shall also provide forms, and for in-person procedures, a notary at SEEC offices during normal business hours for this purpose, without charge. In all cases, no Democracy Voucher assignment shall be deemed invalid or revocable simply because the assignor changes opinion or changes his or her mind, gets new information from or about any candidate or campaign, or based on any allegation of misstatement or misinformation by any candidate or any person, or any other source, or for any reason other than duplicate voucher or forgery, threats, coercion, or physical duress, shown by clear and convincing evidence. SEEC shall issue regulations providing remedies and consequences for such acts, which may include, for sufficient material violation of Program requirements, campaign laws, or any acts of intentional forgery, threats, duress, or coercion in obtaining assigned Democracy Vouchers, an order requiring a candidate to return to the Program any proceeds of Democracy Vouchers or disqualifying a candidate from the Program.

## NEW SECTION 2.04.690 - Transition; SEEC Administration Authority; Penalties; Crimes; Severability.

- (a) Transition. To allow accumulation of Program funds, in the 2017 election only and notwithstanding other provisions of this subchapter, no Mayoral candidate shall be eligible to participate in the Program or receive or redeem Democracy Vouchers.
- (b) SEEC to administer. SEEC shall implement and administer the Program, Program funds, and provisions in this subchapter including issuing and promulgating appropriate regulations, forms, rules, information packets. procedures, and enforcement mechanisms. SEEC shall through rule making carry out the provisions of this subchapter including but not limited to making regulations, defining terms, establishing other rules or promulgating any other administrative regulations or guidelines not inconsistent with the provisions of this subchapter. Anything herein said to be done by SEEC, other than such rule making, shall be done by its Executive Director or another person indicated in SEEC regulations or a duly approved printer or contractor. Prior to each election cycle, SEEC shall inform the public about Democracy Vouchers and the Program. SEEC shall publish appropriate guidebooks for candidates and Democracy Voucher recipients, and all forms, instructions, brochures and documents necessary and proper for this Program, which shall include key documents accessible to those with visual or other disability, and translations into languages other than English spoken by a significant number of Seattle residents, which shall be presumed initially to include Spanish, Vietnamese, Cantonese, Mandarin, Somali, Tagalog, Korean, Cambodian, Amharic, Oromo, Tigrinya, Laotian, Thai, and Russian. Prior to each election cycle, SEEC may reasonably adjust the Campaign Spending Limits, the dollar amounts for and numbers of qualifying contributions, the contribution limits per contributor provided in SMC 2.04.630(b) (but SEEC shall not set a contribution limit for qualifying candidates that exceeds the contribution limit specified for candidates in SMC 2.04.370, or the number or value of Democracy Vouchers provided to each eligible person, in order to account for inflation or deflation, and ensure the goals and purposes of the Program including democracy and accountability, high rates of candidate participation, heavy utilization of vouchers by those who have not previously donated to Seattle political campaigns,, and high public satisfaction with the Program. After each election cycle SEEC shall review the Program and submit reports to the public and City Council. Promptly after the effective date of this measure, SEEC shall project Program revenue, expenditures, and Democracy Voucher Program Funds ("Program Funds") balances from 2016 through at least 2021, and shall revise and update such projections regularly, and at all times shall manage Program Funds as a fiduciary, ensuring proper accumulation and distribution of funds, during nonelection and election years, to achieve Program purposes and goals. In making such projections and administering this Program, SEEC shall consider all relevant circumstances including
- differing Campaign Spending Limits for different offices, differing funding needs in mayoral and non-mayoral election years, and the need to manage the Program and funds to seek to ensure participation by candidates. SEEC before January 1st of each municipal election year shall manage and prudently conserve Program Funds, by considering and projecting Program Funds availability and disbursements for that year and publicizing such projections which shall include and consider needs of participating candidates, needs for conservation of funds for future years or reserve accumulation, prudent operating cost and cost of administration, and prudent conservation of public resources. To assure candidates that ample funds will be available for Voucher redemptions and to assure the public that Voucher fund redemptions will be prudently managed, by January 1st of each municipal election year, SEEC shall publish an "Available Program Funds Limit" for that year for Voucher redemptions. In setting the Available Program Funds Limit, SEEC shall use its best efforts to reasonably project and ensure that adequate Program Funds are available for that election year consistent with this subchapter, its goals and purposes and all reasonably foreseeable circumstances and contingencies and shall set aside at least an amount needed for six primary and two general election candidates for each position in that year's election to qualify and spend their respective Campaign Spending Limit using Democracy Vouchers only (rather than private contributions, except for private contributions used to qualify). During any municipal election year, as soon as SEEC receives or reasonably believes it shall receive Democracy Vouchers for redemption in excess of the Available Program Funds Limit for that year, then Program Funds shall be deemed unavailable and SEEC shall publicly announce same and set a prompt deadline date for Democracy Voucher delivery, following which SEEC shall consider Democracy Vouchers received and available Program Funds and shall allocate remaining available Program Funds proportionately per unredeemed verified Democracy Vouchers on hand, pro rata among all participating candidates for all offices without discrimination. If any special election is called, SEEC shall set aside Program Funds for such election in an amount it deems appropriate, and shall be empowered to act and change, alter, or modify or set and implement standards, procedures, limits and deadlines as similar as may be practicable to those provided in this subchapter as SEEC deems proper and necessary for such special election, taking care to not unduly prejudice accumulation of funds for the Program.
- (c) Penalties. No penalty provision in this subchapter shall diminish any other penalty or remedy under any other law. Participating candidates who make expenditures in excess of the Campaign Spending Limit shall be subject to a civil penalty of twice the amount of the expenditure in excess of such limit, unless SEEC determines that the overspending is insignificant or trivial. All enforcement, administrative and other powers, procedures, rights, duties, remedies, process, civil penalties and other provisions in SMC 2.04.060, 2.04.070, 2.04.075, 2.04.090, 2.04.500, 2.04.510, 2.04.520, 2.16.010 and 2.16.020, relating to violations of election campaign contributions laws or initiative laws, shall apply in case of violations of this subchapter, and all penalties, remedies or consequences applicable to violations of SMC 2.04 or 2.06 shall be applicable for any violation of this subchapter, including but not limited to an order requiring the party to take particular action in order to comply with the law, and in addition, or alternatively, sanctions up to \$5,000 for each violation.
- (d) Crimes. A person is guilty of trafficking in a Democracy Voucher if the person knowingly purchases, buys, or pays consideration for any Democracy Voucher or knowingly sells, conveys for consideration or receives consideration for any Democracy Voucher; or attempts same. A person is guilty of theft of a Democracy Voucher if he or she steals (defined as when one knowingly obtains or exerts unauthorized control over with intent to deprive the proper holder or recipient thereof) or attempts to steal, a Democracy Voucher. A person is guilty of the crime of forgery of a Democracy Voucher if, with intent to injure or defraud, he or she attempts to falsely make, complete, or alter a Democracy Voucher or its assignment or possess, utter, offer, dispose of, or put off as true a Democracy Voucher or written assigned Democracy Voucher that he or she knows is forged.

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For purposes of this section, "falsely alter" means to change, without authorization by the holder or recipient of the Voucher entitled to grant it, a Democracy Voucher by means of erasure, obliteration, deletion, insertion of new matter, transposition of matter, or in any other manner; to "falsely complete" means to make a Democracy Voucher assignment complete by adding or inserting matter, including but not limited to a forged signature, without the authority of the person entitled to assign the Voucher; to "falsely make" means to make or draw a complete or incomplete Democracy Voucher which purports to be authentic, but which is not authentic either because the ostensible maker is fictitious or because, if real, he or she did not authorize the making or drawing or signing thereof; and "forged" or "forgery" means a Democracy Voucher which has been falsely made, completed, or altered. A person is guilty of possession of a stolen Democracy Voucher if he, she or it, being other than the recipient of a proper assignment of a Democracy Voucher, knowingly receives, retains, possesses, conceals or disposes of another's Democracy Voucher knowing that it has been stolen and withholds or appropriates the same to the use of any person other than the true owner or person entitled thereto. A person is quilty of trafficking in a stolen Democracy Voucher if the person attempts to traffic in a stolen Democracy Voucher, meaning to sell, transfer, distribute, dispense, or otherwise dispose of such stolen Democracy Voucher pertaining to another person, or to buy, receive, possess, or obtain control of same with intent to sell, transfer, distribute, dispense, or otherwise dispose of the property to another person. The crimes of trafficking in a Democracy Voucher, theft or forgery of a Democracy Voucher, possession of a stolen Democracy Voucher, or trafficking in a stolen Democracy Voucher, are each a gross misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$5,000 or, by imprisonment for a term of up to 364 days, or both, or as otherwise provided by State law. In this subsection the term "person," "he," "she" or "actor" include any natural person, and, in addition, a corporation, a joint stock association, an unincorporated association or a political committee. In cases of all crimes defined by this subsection the Court may also require restitution to the Program of all costs of prosecution, including attorneys fees, as well as any amounts misappropriated or the face value of Democracy Vouchers misused and in case of crimes by a candidate or political committee the Court also may require return of all funds received from the Program in that election cycle consistent with equity, due process and proportional justice and or may disqualify such political committee or candidate from participating in the Program for that election cycle.

**(e) Severability and captions.** Provisions of this subchapter and its sections are separate and severable. The invalidity of any part or its application to any circumstance, shall not affect the validity of other parts or application to other circumstances. Captions provided are not substantive. The City Clerk may renumber or reformat this subchapter, this ordinance or these sections, for proper codification in the Seattle Municipal Code, without changing the substance.

## Section 2. Funding; Lift of Levy Lids for Regular Property Taxes – Submittal and Amount.

To allow funding of the Seattle Democracy Voucher Program, provided in Section 1 above, the qualified electors of the City of Seattle hereby resolve to allow funding through a levy lift under RCW 84.55.050 and resolve that the City's legislative authority may fund the Program pursuant to that authorization or alternatively through the general fund or any other lawful source of funds of its choosing. The taxes authorized in this section may be levied for collection in 2016 through 2025, raising up to \$30,000,000 in aggregate over a period of up to ten years. The City shall not levy more than \$3,000,000 (about 2.5 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value) for this purpose in the first year, and in each subsequent year, in addition to the maximum amount of regular property taxes it would have been limited to by RCW 84.55.010 in the absence of voter approval under this ordinance, plus other authorized lid lifts. In 2016, total City regular property taxes collected would not exceed \$3.60 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Proceeds from the tax authorized in this section shall be used only to fund the Seattle

Democracy Vouchers Program as provided in Section 1 of this measure, and any amendments thereto adopted by future Council ordinance. Pursuant to RCW 84.55.050(5), the maximum regular property taxes that may be levied in 2025 for collection in 2026 and in later years shall be computed as if the levy lid in RCW 84.55.010 had not been lifted under this ordinance. The tax authorized in this section shall not be collected to the extent the City allocates funds sufficient to establish and pay for the Program from other sources. Program funds including but not limited to any proceeds from the levy authorized herein, interest or earnings thereon, any amounts returned from candidates, and other funds allocated for the Program, shall be used for purposes of this ordinance and Program funds may be temporarily deposited or invested in such manner as may be lawful for the investment of City money, and interest and other earnings shall be used for the same purposes as the proceeds.

Section 3. SMC 2.06.130 - Civil Remedies and Sanctions, is amended as follows:

Upon determining pursuant to SMC 2.04.060 through SMC 2.04.090 that a violation of this chapter has occurred, the Commission may issue an order requiring the party to take particular action in order to comply with the law, and in addition, or alternatively, may impose sanctions up to Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) per violation. Any person who fails to file a properly completed registration or report within the time required by this chapter may also be subject to a civil penalty of Ten Dollars (\$10) Seventy Five Dollars (\$75) per day for each day each such delinquency continues except that during the last 30 days before any election such fine shall be at least Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250) per day and up to \$1,000 per day in the discretion of SEEC, for each day such delinquency continues.

**Section 4.** SMC 2.04.165 - Reports of personal financial affairs, is amended as follows:

A. The following shall file a statement of financial affairs:

- Every candidate shall within two weeks of becoming a candidate file with the City Clerk a statement of financial affairs for the preceding twelve months.
- 2. Every elected official and every candidate for a future election shall after January 1st and before April 15th of each year file with the City Clerk a statement of financial affairs for the preceding calendar year, unless a statement for that same twelve month period has already been filed with the City Clerk. Any elected official whose term of office expires immediately after December 31st shall file the statement required to be filed by this section for the year that ended on that December 31st.
- 3. Every person appointed to a vacancy in an elective office shall within two weeks of being so appointed file with the City Clerk a statement of financial affairs for the preceding twelve months.
- 4. A statement of a candidate or appointee filed during the period from January 1st to April 15th shall cover the period from January 1st of the preceding calendar year to the time of candidacy or appointment if the filing of the statement would relieve the individual of a prior obligation to file a statement covering the entire preceding calendar year.
- 5. No individual may be required to file more than once in any calendar year.
- 6. Each statement of financial affairs filed under this section shall be sworn as to its truth and accuracy.
- B. The statement of financial affairs report shall contain the following:
- The statement of financial affairs required by this chapter shall disclose for the reporting individual and each member of his or her immediate family:
  - a. Occupation, name of employer, and business address; and
  - b. Each bank or savings account or insurance policy in which

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any such person or persons owned a direct financial interest that exceeded \$5,000 at any time during the reporting period; each other item of intangible personal property in which any such person or persons owned a direct financial interest, the value of which exceeded \$500 during the reporting period; the name, address, and nature of the entity; and the nature and highest value of each such direct financial interest during the reporting period; and

- c. The name and address of each creditor to whom the value of \$500 or more was owned; the original amount of each debt to each such creditor; the amount of each debt owed to each creditor as of the date of filing; the terms of repayment of each such debt; and the security given, if any, for each such debt; provided, that debts arising out of a "retail installment transaction" as defined in Chapter 63.14 RCW (Retail Installment Sales Act) need not be reported; and
- d. Every public or private office, directorship, and position held as trustee; and
- e. All persons for whom any legislation, rule, rate, or standard has been prepared, promoted, or opposed for current or deferred compensation; provided, that for the purposes of this subsection, "compensation" does not include payments made to the person reporting by the governmental entity for which such person serves as an elected official for his or her service in office; the description of such actual or proposed legislation, rules, rates, or standards; and the amount of current or deferred compensation paid or promised to be paid; and
- f. The name and address of each governmental entity, corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship, association, union, or other business or commercial entity from whom compensation has been received in any form of a total value of \$500 or more; the value of the compensation; and the consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation; and
- g. The name of any corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, union, or other entity in which is held any office, directorship, or any general partnership interest, or an ownership interest of ten (10) percent or more; the name or title of that office, directorship, or partnership; the nature of ownership interest; and with respect to each such entity: (i) with respect to a governmental unit in which the official seeks or holds any office or position, if the entity has received compensation in any form during the preceding twelve months from the governmental unit, the value of the compensation and the consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation; (ii) the name of each governmental unit, corporation, partnership, joint venture, sole proprietorship, association, union, or other business or commercial entity from which the entity has received compensation in any form in the amount of \$2,500 or more during the preceding twelve months and the consideration given or performed in exchange for the compensation; provided, that the term "compensation" for purposes of this subsection B1gii does not include payment for water and other utility services at rates approved by the Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission or the legislative authority of the public entity providing the service; provided, further, that with respect to any bank or commercial lending institution in which is held any office, directorship, partnership interest, or ownership interest, it shall only be necessary to report either the name, address, and occupation of every director and officer of the bank or commercial lending institution and the average monthly balance of each account held during the preceding twelve months by the bank or commercial lending institution from the government entity for which the individual is an official or candidate or professional staff member, or all interest paid by a borrower on loans from and all interest paid to a depositor by the bank or commercial lending institution if the interest exceeds \$600; and
- h. A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the Commission of all real property in The State of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds \$2,500 in which any

direct financial interest was acquired during the preceding calendar year, and a statement of the amount and nature of the financial interest and of the consideration given in exchange for that interest; and

- i. A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the Commission, of all real property in The State Of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds \$2,500 in which any direct financial interest was divested during the preceding calendar year, and a statement of the amount and nature of the consideration received in exchange for that interest, and the name and address of the person furnishing the consideration; and
- j. A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the Commission, of all real property in The State of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds \$2,500 in which a direct financial interest was held; provided, that if a description of the property has been included in a report previously filed, the property may be listed, for purposes of this provision, by reference to the previously filed report; and
- k. A list, including legal or other sufficient descriptions as prescribed by the Commission, of all real property in The State of Washington, the assessed valuation of which exceeds \$5,000, in which a corporation, partnership, firm, enterprise, or other entity had a direct financial interest, in which corporation, partnership, firm, or enterprise a ten (10) percent or greater ownership interest was held; and
- I. A list of each occasion, specifying date, donor, and amount, at which food and beverage in excess of \$50 was accepted from a source other than the City provided all or portion; and
- m. A list of each occasion, specifying date, donor, and amount, at a source other than the City paid for or otherwise provided all or a portion of the travel or seminars, educational programs or other training; and
- n. Such other information as the Commission may deem necessary in order to properly carry out the purposes and policies of this chapter, as the Commission shall prescribe by rule.
- 2. Where an amount is required to be reported under subsections B1a through m of this section, it shall be sufficient to comply with the requirement to report whether the amount is less than \$1,000, at least \$1,000 but less than \$5,000, at least \$5,000 but less than \$10,000, at least \$10,000 but less than \$25,000, or at least \$25,000 but less than \$100,000, at least \$100,000 but less than \$200,000, at least \$200,000 but less than \$1,000,000, at least \$1,000,000 but less than \$5,000,000, or \$5,000,000 or more. An amount of stock shall be may be reported by number of shares instead of by market value at the time of reporting. Each person reporting shall also report his or her reasonably estimated net worth. No provision of this subsection may be interpreted to prevent any person from filing more information or more detailed information than required.
- 3. Items of value given to an official's or employee's spouse or family member are attributable to the official or employee, except the item is not attributable if an independent business, family, or social relationship exists between the donor and the spouse or family member.
- C. Concealing Identity of Source of Payment is Prohibited— Exception. No payment shall be made to any person required to report under this chapter and no payment shall be accepted by any such person, directly or indirectly, in a fictitious name, anonymously, or by one person through an agent, relative, or other person in such a manner as to conceal the identity of the source of the payment or in any other manner so as to effect concealment except that the Commission may issue categorical and specific exemptions to the reporting of the actual source when there is an undisclosed principal for recognized legitimate business purposes.
- **Section 5.** SMC 2.04.370 Mandatory limitations on contributions, is amended as follows:
- A. No person shall make a contribution to any candidate for Mayor,

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member of the City Council, or City Attorney of the City, except in the election cycle for that candidate as defined in Section 2.04.010

- B. No person shall contribute more than \$500700 to any candidate for Mayor, member of the City Council, or City Attorney of the City, in any election cycle.
- C. A candidate for Mayor, member of the City Council, or City Attorney of the City, may only accept or receive a campaign contribution during an election cycle as defined in Section 2.04.010
- D. No candidate for Mayor, member of the City council or City Attorney of the City shall solicit or receive campaign contributions of more than \$500<del>700</del> from any person in any election cycle.
- E. The limitations imposed by this section 2.04.370 shall not apply to:
  - 1. A candidate's contributions of his or her own resources to his or her own campaign or contributions to the candidate's campaign by the candidate or the candidate's spouse or state registered domestic partner of their jointly owned assets;
    - 2. Independent expenditures as defined by this Chapter 2.04
    - 3. The value of in-kind labor; and
  - 4. Contributions consisting of the rendering of clerical or computer services on behalf of a candidate or an authorized political committee, to the extent that the services are for the purpose of ensuring compliance with City, county, or state election or public disclosure laws.
- F. The limitations imposed by this section shall apply to contributions of the candidate's spouse's or state registered domestic partner's separate property.
- G. The limitations in this section shall be adjusted commencing before the 2019 election cycle, and prior to each election cycle thereafter, by SEEC to account for inflation or deflation using the consumer price index for urban wage earners and clerical workers, CPI-W, or a successor index, for the period since the effective date of this measure or the prior adjustment, as calculated by the United States Department of Labor. The declaration of the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries each September 30 regarding the rate by which Washington State's minimum wage rate is to be increased effective the following January 1, shall be the authoritative determination of the rate or percentage of increase or decrease to be adjusted, except that SEEC may round the new figure up or down, to the nearest \$5 or \$10 increment, as it deems proper.

**Section 6.** The provisions of Seattle Municipal Code sections 2.04.400, 2.04.410, 2.04.420, 2.04.430, 2.04.440, 2.04.50, 2.04.460 and 2.04.470 are repealed.

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CITY OF SEATTLE	
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AN ORDINANCE relating to transportation; providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City at an election to be held on November 3, 2015, a proposition authorizing the City to levy regular property taxes for up to nine years in excess of the limitation on levies in Chapter 84.55 RCW for the purpose of providing City facilities and services, including transportation improvements, both capital and operating, with possible debt financing; creating a new oversight committee; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

WHEREAS, Seattle is one of the fastest-growing major cities in the country, gaining 100,000 new residents and more than 50,000 jobs in the last 20 years, and this growth is a boon to our economy and a test for our transportation system; and

WHEREAS, as Seattle's Comprehensive Plan directs, two-thirds of these new residents and jobs have been located in urban centers and villages that are walkable and easy to serve with transit; and

WHEREAS, Seattle is currently updating its Comprehensive Plan for 2035 and the public feedback received to date supports continuing to concentrate Seattle's growth in walkable, mixed-use, transit-rich urban villages; and

WHEREAS, public surveys and feedback continue to rank transportation as the highest priority issue area in Seattle; and

WHEREAS, Seattle is a built-out city where it is difficult to widen existing streets or build new streets, and the existing network of streets needs to be able to carry as much of the increasing numbers of people and goods as efficiently as possible: and

WHEREAS, maintaining safe and accessible pedestrian routes for all residents is central to relieving congestion and improving mobility; and

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle is located in an active seismic zone with the potential for a major seismic event and reinforcing the City's bridges and structures is a priority; and

WHEREAS, Seattle's transportation system must help fight climate change, promote vibrant communities and improve public health; and

WHEREAS, the 2006 Bridging the Gap transportation levy contributed approximately \$365,000,000 to transportation investment, with a focus on maintenance: and

WHEREAS, Bridging the Gap has funded significant transportation system maintenance and upgrades, and is on target to meet or exceed nearly all of the commitments made as part of the voter-approved measure, including the paving of 225 lane-miles of streets, rehabilitation or seismic retrofit of 12 bridges, replacement of 90,000 street signs, enhancement of three transit corridors, construction of 120 blocks of new sidewalk, restriping of 5,000 crosswalks, implementation of 48 Safe Routes to School projects and 30 Neighborhood Street Fund projects and development of a robust asset management program that has identified and catalogued the condition of transportation assets and their maintenance needs; and

WHEREAS, Bridging the Gap expires at the end of 2015 and the funding it provides needs to be replaced to continue critical maintenance and improvement of Seattle's transportation system; and

WHEREAS, these critical maintenance and improvement needs include safety improvements that will keep bridges safe in an earthquake and help Seattle reach its goal of zero serious or fatal crashes on Seattle streets; and

WHEREAS, Seattle families' transportation-related spending is second only to their spending on housing, and a well-functioning transportation system that provides many alternatives to the expense of car ownership can make living and working in Seattle more affordable; and

WHEREAS, careful maintenance of transportation infrastructure today can lessen the expense of increased maintenance tomorrow: and

WHEREAS, Seattle has three adopted modal master plans including the Bicycle Master Plan adopted in 2014, the Transit Master Plan adopted in 2012, and the Pedestrian Master Plan adopted in 2009, as well as a Freight Master Plan currently in development; and

WHEREAS, it is the City's goal to prioritize Safe Routes to School investments in safe walking and biking routes within an approximate 1-mile radius of elementary schools, emphasizing connections to community amenities such as community centers, libraries, transit hubs, and neighborhood business districts; and

WHEREAS, The 10-year Move Seattle Strategy was created in 2015 to integrate and prioritize the implementation of the modal master plans through a comprehensive approach to the transportation system organized around five core values: a safe, affordable, interconnected, vibrant, and innovative city for all; and

WHEREAS, efficient and reliable movement of freight and goods is a hallmark of a vibrant city and the Freight Master Plan currently in development will recommend increased investment in freight and goods movement; and

WHEREAS, existing revenue available for transportation maintenance and improvements is insufficient; and

WHEREAS, in 2001 voters statewide approved Initiative 747 and in 2007 the Washington State Legislature reinstated the initiative, which capped the growth in property tax without special approval of the voters at 1 percent, below the rate of inflation; and

WHEREAS, State-shared gas tax revenues for Seattle do not keep up with inflation; and

WHEREAS, while the City is evaluating and developing a proposal for transportation impact fees in the City of Seattle, impact fees are neither sufficient nor appropriate to fund all transportation maintenance and system operation needs; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 Seattle voters approved Seattle Transportation Benefit District Proposition One, which will provide an estimated \$50,000,000 annually for additional transit service over six years, and in 2016 voters region-wide may be asked to consider a measure to expand light rail by funding Sound Transit 3, and both of these measures can be complemented and leveraged with additional Seattle investment through a levy; and

WHEREAS, in 2006 the City developed and City Council adopted Resolution 30915 which specified a 20-year funding plan for transportation and assumed a second property tax levy to follow Bridging the Gap; and

WHEREAS, on March 18, 2015, the City released a draft transportation levy proposal to replace the Bridging the Gap transportation levy organized around the core Move Seattle principles, and asked for community feedback on the priorities it funded; and

WHEREAS, three open house meetings, 35 community briefings attended by 750 people, five coffee hour discussions, one webinar, and drop-in sessions at libraries, community centers and farmers markets, along with an online survey, generated over 8,000 comments and 5,300 survey responses on the proposed levy; and

WHEREAS, those comments have been incorporated and used to inform the proposal; and

WHEREAS, spending of future levy dollars will be directed by the City's commitment to social equity and equity in City contracting to advance the mission to promote race and gender equity in contracting as outlined in Executive Order 2014-03, Equity in City Contracting, and Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 20.42, Equality in Contracting; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

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Section 1. Definitions. As used in this ordinance, the following words when capitalized have the following meanings:

"City" means The City of Seattle.

"Director" means the Director of Finance.

"Levy Proceeds" means that portion of regular property taxes levied and collected as authorized by voter approval pursuant to this ordinance that are above the growth limit on levies in RCW 84.55.010, and all interest and other earnings thereon, and, if the City issues bonds, notes, interfund loans, or other evidences of indebtedness payable wholly or in part from the additional taxes authorized under this ordinance, as permitted by Section 4 of this ordinance, then Levy Proceeds also includes the proceeds of those bonds, notes, interfund loans, or other evidences of indebtedness.

"Spending Breakdown" means the categories and elements included as Attachment A to this ordinance.

"Transportation Improvements" means the categories and program areas referred to in Section 6, with such modifications as the City may from time to time authorize by ordinance.

Section 2. Levy of Regular Property Taxes Submittal. The City hereby submits to the qualified electors of the City a proposition as authorized by RCW 84.55.050 to exceed the levy limitation on regular property taxes contained in RCW 84.55.010 for property taxes levied in 2015 through 2023 for collection in 2016 through 2024, respectively, solely for the purpose of raising up to \$930,000,000 in aggregate over a period of up to nine years for transportation purposes. The proposition shall be limited so that the City shall not levy more than \$95,000,000 in the first year, in addition to the maximum amount of regular property taxes it could have levied consistent with RCW Chapter 84.55 in the absence of this ordinance. Pursuant to RCW 84.55.050(5), the maximum regular property taxes that may be levied in 2024 for collection in 2025 and in later years shall be computed as if the limit on regular property taxes had not been increased under this ordinance.

Section 3. Deposit of Levy Proceeds. All Levy Proceeds shall be placed in and segregated within the Transportation Fund. The Levy Proceeds may be temporarily deposited or invested in such manner as may be lawful for the investment of City money and all investment earnings shall be deposited in the Transportation Fund. The Director of Finance is authorized to create other subfunds or accounts as may be needed to implement the purposes of this ordinance.

Section 4. Bond and Notes. To the extent permitted by applicable law the City may issue bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness payable wholly or in part from the additional taxes authorized under this ordinance, and may pledge and may apply such taxes to the payment of principal of, interest on, and premium (if any) on such bonds, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness and to the payment of costs associated with them.

Section 5. Use of Levy Proceeds. The Levy Proceeds shall be used solely for Transportation Improvements in accordance with the provisions in Section 6 and in accordance with RCW 84.55.050. The Council expects to appropriate or transfer General Subfund (GSF) revenues in the annual budget for transportation purposes. The minimum expected annual appropriation or transfer (Minimum Annual GSF Appropriation) is \$40,000,000 in the first year of the levy; the Minimum Annual GSF Appropriation thereafter will be adjusted by an inflationary factor on an annual basis. If the Council does not appropriate at least the Minimum Annual GSF Appropriation in a given year, then the Council may not levy any taxes authorized by this ordinance, for collection in the following budget year, unless the City Council by a 3/4 vote determines that economic or financial conditions prevent the Council from appropriating the Minimum Annual GSF Appropriation. The annual inflationary factor will be the lesser of three percent or the percent change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers in Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton (CPI-U-Seattle) for the 12-month period ending in June of the current budget year relative to the 12-month period ending in June of the prior budget year.

Section 6. Transportation Improvements. Transportation improvements shall occur in three core categories: safe routes, congestion relief, and maintenance and repair. The City anticipates collecting \$930 million in Levy Proceeds over a nine-year span. The Levy Proceeds shall be appropriated in the following ways:

Safe Routes Programs. The City shall appropriate \$207 million in Levy Proceeds for safe routes. The Levy includes the following Safe Routes Programs:

Safety Corridors

Safe Routes to School

Signs and Markings

**Transportation Operations** 

Bicycle Safety

Pedestrian Safety

Neighborhood Projects

Congestion Relief Programs. The City shall appropriate \$303 million in Levy Proceeds for congestion relief. Of these appropriations, not less than \$20 million will be appropriated for the Lander Street grade separation project; or, in the event the Lander Street project is not funded, these appropriations will be used for other freight mobility improvements. The Levy includes the following Congestion Relief Programs:

Multimodal Improvements

Traffic Signal Timing

Intelligent Transportation Systems

Light Rail Connections: Graham Street Light Rail Station

Northgate Bridge

Light Rail Connections: Accessible Mt. Baker

Bicycle and Walking Facilities

New Sidewalks

Partnership Improvements: Lander Street Overpass

Heavy Haul Network: East Marginal Way Corridor

Freight Spot Improvements

Maintenance and Repair Programs. The City shall appropriate \$420 million in Levy Proceeds for maintenance and repair. The Levy includes the following Maintenance and Repair programs:

Bridge and Structures Maintenance

Bridge Seismic Improvements

Bridge Replacement

Arterial Roadway Maintenance

Paving Spot Improvements

**Drainage Partnerships** 

Tree Trimming and Tree Planting

The nine-year appropriation amounts of Levy Proceeds for each core category established in this Section 6 may be changed by up to ten percent of the amount listed for each core category by separate ordinance, after the Levy Oversight Committee has been given an opportunity to comment. The nine-year appropriations amount of Levy Proceeds for each core category established in this Section 6 may be changed by more than ten percent of the amount listed for each core category by a 3/4 vote of City Council.

The Spending Breakdown (Attachment A) provides additional information about the anticipated deliverables, anticipated spending amounts, and the

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anticipated revenue sources; but the Spending Breakdown is illustrative only and shall not be mandatory. The City anticipates that appropriations of Levy Proceeds will be consistent with the programs described in the Spending Breakdown attached to the ordinance.

In the annual City budget or by separate ordinance, the City shall from year-to-year determine the Transportation Improvements and funding allocations that will most effectively achieve the Levy goals and outcomes. Within a budget year the City is authorized to reallocate unexpended and unencumbered funds from one program to another within each of the three core categories by making operating budget transfers consistent with Seattle Municipal Code 5.08.020.

The City will seek to maximize the potential of the Levy Proceeds by pursuing complementary grant funds, by engaging in partnerships with other agencies, and by identifying improvements in efficiencies and effectiveness.

Section 7. The Seattle Department of Transportation shall evaluate whether and how its projects advance the goals of the following initiatives: (1) the City's Vision Zero Plan; (2) the City's Safe Routes to School program; and (3) the City's Race and Social Justice Initiative. The Seattle Department of Transportation shall provide an annual report to the City Council documenting this evaluation for (a) every freight, transit, and safety corridor project and (b) every other transportation project with a total Capital Improvement Project budget that exceeds \$5 million.

Section 8. Use of Funds. Any proposal to use Levy Proceeds to build or operate streetcars must be accompanied by a narrative presented to the appropriate Council committee evaluating the proposal's geographic value, productivity, and effect relative to race and social justice implications. The narrative shall describe findings from applying the Racial Equity Toolkit (or the successor thereto).

Section 9. Oversight Committee. Conditioned upon voter approval of the ballot proposition submitted by this ordinance, there is established an Oversight Committee to monitor revenues, expenditures, and program and project implementation, and to advise the City Council, the Mayor, and the Seattle Department of Transportation on responding to program and project cost savings or overruns. The Committee will annually review the Seattle Department of Transportation's program and project priorities, spending, and revised financial plans. The Oversight Committee may make recommendations to the Mayor and City Council regarding the spending of Levy Proceeds.

The Oversight Committee shall consist of 16 members: a City Council member (the Chair of the City Council's Transportation Committee or its successor committee with responsibility for transportation); the City Budget Director; one representative each chosen by and from among the respective members of the Seattle Pedestrian Advisory Board, Seattle Bicycle Advisory Board, Seattle Transit Advisory Board, and Seattle Freight Board; five Seattle residents appointed by the City Council, including a licensed engineer with bridge and structures experience; and five Seattle residents appointed by the Mayor and subject to confirmation by the City Council.

The initial terms for appointed board members and residents shall be four years, except for two two-year terms (one mayoral appointee and one Council appointee) and four three-year terms (two mayoral appointees and two Council appointees). Subsequent terms for all appointed members shall be four years. The terms shall commence on January 1, 2016. Upon the resignation, retirement, death, incapacity, or removal of an Oversight Committee member, the authority appointing such member may appoint a replacement for the balance of the term. Late appointments or confirmations shall also be for the balance of a term. Any vacancy in an unexpired term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. A member whose term is ending may continue on an interim basis as a member with voting rights until such time as a successor for that position has been appointed or, for the five residents appointed by the Mayor, confirmed.

The Oversight Committee will select a chair and may adopt rules for its own

procedures, including quorum requirements and the frequency of meetings. Meetings of the Oversight Committee will be open to the public consistent with the Open Public Meetings Act, RCW Chapter 42.30. The Oversight Committee will publish annual reports to the Mayor, City Council, and people of Seattle. Between January 1 and April 30 of 2024, the Oversight Committee is requested to make a recommendation to the Mayor and City Council regarding the advisability of proposing to the voters of Seattle another levy to authorize additional property taxes for implementation of transportation improvements.

The factors to be considered by the Oversight Committee in making any such recommendations will include, but are not limited to: (a) the City's success in project implementation, including its ability to manage and control project costs; (b) the availability of alternative revenue sources that provide a more direct link between the tax or fee paid and the use of the City's transportation system; and (c) the underlying need for funding to support the uses identified in Section 6. The Mayor and the Council will consider any timely recommendations that may have been made by the Oversight Committee.

The Seattle Department of Transportation shall provide staff and logistical support for the Oversight Committee. Members shall serve without pay but may be reimbursed for their expenses, including payments for child care while attending meetings. The Oversight Committee shall continue in existence through December 31, 2024, and thereafter if so provided by ordinance.

Section 10. Reporting. The Director of Transportation will prepare and submit to the City Council, the Mayor, and the Oversight Committee an annual progress report on the implementation of improvements funded by the levy. For each element of the Spending Breakdown included as Attachment A to this ordinance, the annual progress report will include for each category and each element (detailed by levy, local, and leverage funding):

the planned spending and planned deliverables;

actual annual spending and deliverables; and

actual cumulative spending and deliverables.

The report will include a narrative assessment comparing actual spending and deliverables to the original planned spending and deliverables, and it will explain why there are deviations (if any) from the originally planned spending and deliverables. Additionally, the annual progress report will summarize levy-supported investments implementing adopted modal plans, including details about the amounts of levy funding, local funding, and leverage funding.

In addition to the annual progress report, the Director of Transportation will prepare and submit an annual report focusing on bridges and structures including a narrative explaining in detail the condition of bridges and structures within the City of Seattle, especially the Ballard and Magnolia bridges, an assessment of known deficiencies and a funding plan to address known deficiencies.

The Director of Transportation will also annually revise and deliver to the City Council, the Mayor and the Oversight Committee a Transportation Improvements financial plan.

Section 11. Election Ballot Title. The City Council directs that the City Clerk file this ordinance with the Director of Elections of King County, Washington, as ex officio supervisor of elections, requesting that the Director of Elections call and conduct a special election in the City in conjunction with the state general election to be held on November 3, 2015, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the City the proposition set forth in this ordinance.

The City Clerk is directed to certify to the King County Director of Elections the ballot title approved by the City Attorney in accordance with the City Attorney's responsibilities under RCW 29A.36.071 and RCW 29A.72.050.

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The following ballot title containing a statement of subject and concise description are submitted to the City Attorney for consideration:

CITY OF SEATTLE

PROPOSITION NO. 1

The City of Seattle's Proposition 1 concerns replacing funding for citywide transportation maintenance and improvements.

If approved, this proposition would replace an expiring levy and would fund bridge seismic upgrades, transit corridor and light rail access projects, pedestrian and bicycle safety projects, synchronized traffic signals, street maintenance and repair, freight projects, and neighborhood street projects.

It authorizes regular property taxes above RCW 84.55 limits, allowing maximum collections of \$95,000,000 in 2016 and \$930,000,000 over nine years. The 2016 total regular tax limit would be \$3.60/\$1,000 assessed value, including approximately \$0.62/\$1,000 assessed value in additional taxes.

Should this levy be approved?

Levv. Yes

Levy, No

Section 12. Section Titles. Section titles are for convenient reference only and do not modify or limit the text of a section.

Section 13. Severability. In the event any one or more of the provisions of this ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this ordinance or the levy of the additional taxes authorized herein, but this ordinance and the authority to levy those taxes shall be construed and enforced as if such invalid provisions were not contained in this ordinance; and any provision that may for any reason be held invalid shall be deemed to be in effect to the extent permitted by law.

Section 14. Ratification. The City Clerk's certification to the King County Director of Records and Elections of the proposition referred to in Section 11, and any other acts taken after the passage of this ordinance and consistent with its authority, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 15. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the	
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Presidentof the City Council	
Approved by me this day of	, 2015.
Edward B. Murray, Mayor	
Filed by me this day of	, 2015.
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#### Attachment A: Spending Breakdown

Transportation Levy to Move Seattle

Revised Levy Proposal Spending Breakdown - Additional Detail

Updated June 26, 2015

The Seattle Department of Transportation anticipates spending the following cumulative amounts in the following project and program areas over the 9 years of the levy, with annual appropriations to be set through the City budget every year. The Local category is estimated based on City of Seattle appropriations in the 2015 budget. Local includes General Subfund, gas tax, Real Estate Excise Tax, and other City revenues. Leverage is estimated and includes other non-levy funding expected to be secured to complete the deliverable under each project or program area. Leverage includes a mix of state and federal grants, public and private partner contributions, and other revenues. Deliverables noted below are based on Total planned spending; and for each element, Total is the sum of the three categories: Local, Levy Investment, and Leverage.

Category	Local	Levy Investment	Leverage	Total
Safe Routes  Provide safe and accessible routes connecting schools, transit hubs, and other destinations.	\$122M	\$207M	\$40M	\$369M
Vision Zero – Implement program to eliminate serious and fatal crashes	\$113M	\$71M	\$17M	\$201M
<ul> <li>Safety Corridors: Complete 12 – 15 corridor safety projects, improving safety for all travelers on our highest-crash streets</li> </ul>	\$6M	\$23M	\$3M	\$31M
<ul> <li>Safe Routes to School: Complete 9 – 12 Safe Routes to School projects each year along with safety education, improving walking and biking safety at every public school in Seattle. Complete projects within the first three years of the Levy in walk zones of the following elementary schools that have high levels of poverty: Bailey Gatzert, Martin Luther King, Jr., West Seattle, Dunlap, Dearborn Park, Wing Luke, Northgate, Van Asselt, Emerson, Concord, Rainier View, Roxhill</li> </ul>	\$34M	\$7M	\$7M	\$48M
<ul> <li>Signs and Markings: Increase crosswalk repainting frequency to a four-year or better cycle to ensure every crosswalk is clearly marked.</li> </ul>	\$9M	\$4M	-	\$13M
<ul> <li>Transportation Operations: Maintain and improve the City's system of traffic signals, signs and markings.</li> </ul>	\$64M	\$37M	\$7M	\$108M
Category	Local	Levy Investment	Leverage	Total
Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety – protect our most vulnerable travelers – people walking and biking		\$110M	\$23M	\$142M
Bicycle Safety: Build approximately 50 miles of new protected bike lanes and 60 miles of greenways, completing over half of the Bicycle Master Plan citywide network. Of the funds identified in this element, \$2M will be reserved for implementing bicycle improvements as part of the Accessible Mount Baker project.	\$9M	\$65M	\$20M	\$94M
Pedestrian Safety: Repair up to 225 blocks of damaged sidewalks in our urban centers and villages	-	\$15M	-	\$15M
Pedestrian Safety: Make curb ramp and crossing improvements at up to 750 intersections citywide	-	\$30M	\$3M	\$33M
Neighborhood projects		\$26M	-	\$26M
<ul> <li>Neighborhood Projects: Complete 20-35 neighborhood priority projects to improve safety, mobility and access and quality of life in those neighborhoods</li> </ul>	-	\$26M	-	\$26M

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Maintenance and Repair				
Reduce the backlog of maintenance and repair work along major				
arterials and the busiest Seattle streets.	\$94M	\$420M	\$97M	\$611M
Maintain streets	\$36M	\$250M	\$19M	\$305M
Arterial Roadway Maintenance: Repave up to 180 lane-miles of arterial streets, maintaining and modernizing 35% of Seattle's busiest streets carrying the most people and goods (also funded through the 7 enhanced transit corridors, below)	\$16M	\$235M	\$19M	\$269M
Paving Spot Improvements: Repave 65 targeted locations every year, totaling about 70 lane-miles of arterial street, with a repair and maintenance program run by City crews	\$20M	\$15M	-	\$36M
Bridges and Structures – keep our bridges safe	\$31M	\$140M	\$68M	\$239M
Bridge and Structures Maintenance: Eliminate the backlog of needed bridge spot repairs	\$20M	\$25M	-	\$44M
Bridge Seismic Improvements: Seismically reinforce 16 vulnerable bridges	\$1M	\$68M	\$37M	\$106M
Bridge Replacement: Replace Seattle's last timber vehicle bridge (on Fairview Avenue)	\$6M	\$27M	\$16M	\$49M
Category	Local	Levy Investment	Leverage	Total
Bridge Replacement: Plan and design high priority bridge replacements to begin construction after 2024. Of the funds identified in this element, up to \$10M of total funding (local, levy, leverage) may be used for implementing near-term pedestrian and bicycle safety projects on bridges being studied for replacement (in addition to funding provided for pedestrian and bicycle safety projects in other elements).	\$4M	\$15M	\$15M	\$34M
Bridge and Structures Maintenance: Other bridge safety invest- ments including stairway and structure repair and rehabilitation	\$1M	\$5M	-	\$5M
Urban forest and drainage	\$27M	\$30M	\$10M	\$67M
Tree Trimming: Add a new tree crew focused on quick response to critical pruning needs (such as clearances for people biking and walking, and at transit stops) and on ensuring clear sightlines to traffic signals and signs  The Planting Polynomia and stops are transported to the disease of the stops and the stops are transported to the disease of the stops are transported to the disease of the stops are transported to the disease of the stops are transported to the stop are transported to the stops are transported to the stop are transported t				
Tree Planting: Replace every tree removed due to disease or safety with two new trees	\$27M	\$20M	-	\$47M
Drainage Partnership: Partner with Seattle Public Utilities to pave streets, provide new pedestrian infrastructure and crossings, and address drainage issues in flood-prone South Park neighborhood	-	\$10M	\$10M	\$20M
Congestion Relief				
Enhance transportation choices throughout the network	\$69M	\$303M	\$427M	\$799M
Corridor Mobility Improvements – modernize streets	\$31M	\$169M	\$218M	\$418M
<ul> <li>Multimodal Improvements: Complete 7 transit plus multimodal corridor projects, redesigning major streets with more frequent and reliable buses, upgraded paving, signals and other improvements to improve connectivity and safety for all travelers, whether walking, biking, driving, or taking transit; complete the Burke Gilman Trail missing link, Fauntleroy Way Southwest Boulevard projects, develop plans and complete improvements to enhance the NE 45th St Corridor for pedestrians and cyclists between 4th Ave NE and Brooklyn Ave NE by the time University Light Rail opens in 2021, and plan corridor improvements for Aurora Ave N.</li> </ul>	\$13M	\$104M	\$211M	\$327M

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		Levy		
Category	Local	Investment	Leverage	Total
<ul> <li>Traffic Signal Timing Improvements: Optimize traffic signal timing on 5 corridors throughout the city each year to improve traffic flow and serve people in cars and trucks, on bicycles, transit, and foot</li> </ul>	\$2M	\$13M	\$1M	\$16M
Intelligent Transportation System Improvements: Implement Next Generation ITS Improvements to help all travelers move more reliably around the city and provide improved information for travelers	\$2M	\$17M	\$6M	\$25M
Transit Corridor Improvements: Make bus service more reliable through a comprehensive transit improvement program to eliminate bottlenecks in key locations and contribute to the transit improvements on 7 transit plus corridors including planning for access and egress improvements to the West Seattle peninsula.	\$15M	\$35M	-	\$50M
Light Rail Partnership Improvements – improve connections to light rail	\$1M	\$27M	\$10M	\$38M
Light Rail Connections: Provide City funding contribution for a new Link Light rail station at Graham Street in southeast Seattle	-	\$10M	TBD	TBD
Northgate Bridge: Provide additional City funding for a pedestrian and bicycle bridge over I-5 connecting to light rail in Northgate	\$1M	\$15M	\$10M	\$26M
Light Rail Connections: Implement early portions of the accessible Mt. Baker project	-	\$2M	-	\$2M
Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements – make it easier to walk and bike. Of the funds identified in this element, \$2M will be reserved for implementing pedestrian improvements as part of the Accessible Mount Baker project.	\$35M	\$68M	\$29M	\$132M
New Sidewalks: Build 150 new blocks of sidewalks, filling in more than 75% of the sidewalk gaps on priority transit corridors citywide with an emphasis on creating accessible routes for those with disabilities and for the elderly				
Bicycle and Walking Facilities: Make residential streets without sidewalks safer and more comfortable for walking, including through partnership with Seattle Public Utilities in the flood-prone Broadview neighborhood	\$35M	\$61M	\$28M	\$123M
Category	Local	Levy Investment	Leverage	Total
Bicycle and Walking Facilities: Install 1,500 new bicycle parking spots citywide and maintain existing bike facilities				
Bicycle and Walking Facilities: Other biking and walking invest- ments	-	\$7M	\$1M	\$8M
Freight Mobility Improvements – freight and delivery	\$2M	\$39M	\$170M	\$211M
Partnership Improvements: Provide local money to design and build the Lander Street Overpass	-	\$20M	\$130M	\$150M
Heavy Haul Network: Build the East Marginal Way corridor, a key route in Seattle's Heavy Haul Network	\$2M	\$5M	\$37M	\$44M
Spot Improvements: Fund a targeted spot improvement program to help freight movement	-	\$14M	\$3M	\$17M
Grand Total (All Categories)	\$285M	\$930M	\$564M	\$1,778M

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