# VOTERS' PAMPHLET

Washington State Elections & Clark County

## General Election November 4



2025

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Ballots mailed out by **October 17** 1 (800) 448-4881 | sos.wa.gov/elections



I am pleased to present the 2025 General Election Voters' Pamphlet on behalf of the Office of the Secretary of State. This comprehensive guide to the candidates and measures on your ballot can help you find the information you need to cast your vote.

Elections that are accessible, secure, and transparent are the cornerstone of our democracy, providing you with the opportunity to make your voice heard on a variety of issues. This general election, you have the chance to help decide who represents your local community and weigh in on measures that affect daily life in Washington. It all starts with making sure you're registered to vote. Online and mail-in voter registrations and updates must be received by Monday, Oct. 27. In-person registration is also available at your local county elections office until 8 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 4. If you're already registered to vote, now is a great time to sign into VoteWA and verify your voter registration information is up to date.

Once you receive and vote your ballot, make sure you sign the return envelope. Highly trained elections officials compare your signature to the one on your voter registration before your ballot can be counted. Then, return your ballot. If you vote by U.S. mail — no stamp needed — remember that ballots must be postmarked by Election Day to be counted. The USPS recommends mailing a week before Election Day to ensure your ballot is received on time. Or, return your ballot to one of the many secure ballot drop boxes across the state by 8 p.m. on Election Day. You can track the status of your ballot at VoteWA.gov after returning it. Sign up for text notifications so you'll know when your ballot is received and accepted.

Exercising your right to vote is one of the most powerful ways you can make a difference in your community. Thank you for voting and supporting democracy here in Washington.

Sincerely,

Steve Hobbs Secretary of State

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#### Has my ballot been counted?

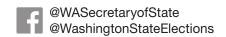
#### Tracking your ballot is easier than ever!

Sign up for text notifications when you register or update your info at **VoteWA.gov**.

Or text VOTE to VOTEWA (868392).









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#### **Deadlines**

Ballots mailed to voters by: October 17 Register by mail, received by: October 27

Register online by: October 27

Register in person by: November 4, 8 p.m.

Election Day: November 4

#### **Register to Vote**

#### Use VoteWA.gov to:

- Register to vote
- Update your info
- Track ballot status



#### **Voter tip:**

Remember to sign and date your ballot return envelope. Trained election officials are responsible for verifying each and every signature.





Candidates submitted their information for this pamphlet prior to printing. For the most current information, sign in to VoteWA.gov.

#### **Political parties**

#### **Washington State Democrats**

PO Box 4027 Seattle, WA 98194 (206) 583-0664 info@wa-democrats.org www.wadems.org

#### **Washington State** Republican Party

11911 NE 1st St Ste B 201 Bellevue, WA 98005 (425) 900-3379 info@wagop.org wagop.org



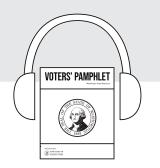
#### Who donates to campaigns?

View financial contributors for state and local candidates and measures:

#### **Public Disclosure Commission**

pdc@pdc.wa.gov www.pdc.wa.gov Toll Free 1 (877) 601-2828

## Are accessible voting options available?



Audio voters' pamphlet available at

www.sos.wa.gov/elections.

No internet access? To receive a copy on a USB drive, call 1 (800) 448-4881.

Contact a county elections office to find an accessible voting unit near you.

## Student Engagement Hubs

Public universities offer Student
Engagement Hubs to ensure that
students never miss an election just
because they're away from home.

For dates, hours, and locations, contact student leadership at:

- CWU Ellensburg
- EWU Cheney
- TESC Olympia
- UW Bothell
- UW Seattle
- UW Tacoma
- WSU Pullman
- WSU Tri-Cities
- WSU Vancouver
- WWU Bellingham

#### Are language services available?

Los votantes del estado de Washington pueden acceder a un folleto electoral para las elecciones generales y a un formulario de inscripción electoral en español en Internet en sos.wa.gov/elections.

Ingrese a **VoteWA.gov** para consultar su guía electoral personalizada en Internet o para inscribirse y actualizar su información electoral.

Los votantes de los condados de Yakima, Franklin y Adams reciben materiales electorales bilingües. Los votantes del condado de King pueden solicitar sus materiales de votación en español.

Para solicitar una edición impresa del folleto electoral o de un formulario de inscripción electoral en español, llame al **1 (800) 448-4881.** 

華盛頓州的選民可以由網上取 得中文版普選選民手冊以及選 民登記表,網址為

sos.wa.gov/elections o

請瀏覽VoteWA.gov以查看您的個人化網上選民指南,或登記及更新您的選民資料。

金郡的選民可以索求中文版投 票資料。

如欲索取中文選民手冊印刷本 或選民登記表,請致電

1 (800) 448-4881 °

Cử tri tại tiểu bang Washington có thể truy cập trực tuyến Sách Hướng dẫn Cử tri cho cuộc Tổng tuyển cử và mẫu đơn đăng ký cử tri bằng Tiếng Việt tại địa chỉ

sos.wa.gov/elections.

Truy cập **VoteWA.gov** để xem trực tuyến hướng dẫn dành cho cử tri được cá nhân hóa của quý vị hoặc đăng ký và cập nhật thông tin cử tri của quý vị.

Cử tri tại Quận King có thể yêu cầu tài liệu bỏ phiếu đã được dịch sang Tiếng Việt.

Để yêu cầu bản in của sách hướng dẫn cử tri hoặc mẫu đơn đăng ký cử tri bằng Tiếng Việt, xin quý vị vui lòng gọi số

1 (800) 448-4881.

The federal Voting Rights Act requires translated elections materials.

## How do I register to vote?

Online: Register at VoteWA.gov.

By mail: Request a paper form be mailed to you or print your own at sos.wa.gov/elections.

No internet access? Call 1 (800) 448-4881.

**In person:** Visit a county elections office (listed at the end of this pamphlet).

#### **Registration deadlines**



By mail or online: Your application must be received no later than October 27.

In person: Visit a local voting center no later than 8 p.m. on November 4.

Check your registration info at **VoteWA.gov**.

#### **Qualifications**

To vote, you must be at least 18 years old, a U.S. citizen, a resident of Washington, and not currently serving a sentence of total confinement in prison for a felony.



#### What if I'm not 18 yet?

If you are 16 or 17, become a Future Voter!
Sign up with your Washington state
driver's license, permit,
ID, or the last four digits
of your Social Security
number. You'll be
automatically registered

#### **Past felony conviction?**

Get registered to vote.

Washington now restores voting rights to citizens with felony convictions immediately upon release from prison.



You must **re-register** to vote to receive a ballot.

## Moved? Update your voting address

Contact a county elections office to request a ballot at your new address.

to vote when you qualify.

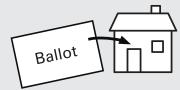
**By October 27:** Have your application received by mail or updated online.

Or

**By November 4:** Visit a local voting center in person.

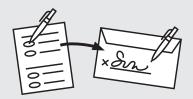


If you're registered to vote, there is no need to request a ballot. Your ballot will be mailed by **October 17** to the address you provided on your voter registration. If you need a replacement ballot, contact a county elections office listed at the end of this pamphlet.



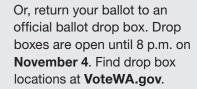


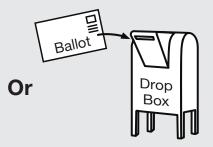
Vote your ballot and sign your return envelope. We need your signature to accept your ballot. You are not required to vote every race on your ballot. We encourage using this pamphlet to help you decide.



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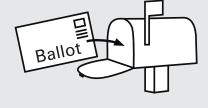
Return your ballot by mail, no stamp needed. If mailed, your ballot must be postmarked by **November 4**. Don't let a late postmark disqualify your ballot. The USPS recommends that you mail a week before Election Day.







If you cannot personally return your ballot, only let people you trust deliver it for you.



Check the status of your ballot on **VoteWA.gov** to see if it has been received by your county elections office.







Election staff will contact you before your ballot is processed if:

- Your signature is missing
- Your signature doesn't match your voter registration record

## View election results online

After 8 p.m. on election night, tallied results from each county are posted at results.vote.wa.gov.

Results are updated as counties report and are unofficial until certification.

Senate Joint Resolution No.

8201

The legislature has proposed a constitutional amendment on allowing money in Washington's long-term care fund to be invested.

This amendment would allow the state fund dedicated to providing long-term care benefits for eligible seniors and people with disabilities to be invested as authorized by law.

Should this constitutional amendment be:

[	]	Approved
[	]	Rejected

#### **Final Votes Cast by the Legislature**

Senate: Yeas, 42; Nays, 7; Absent, 0; Excused, 0 House: Yeas, 86; Nays, 9; Absent, 0; Excused, 3



The Secretary of State is not responsible for the content of statements or arguments (WAC 434-381-180).

#### **Explanatory Statement**

Written by the Office of the Attorney General

#### The Law As It Presently Exists

The Washington Constitution generally prohibits investing public money in stocks of private companies. This means that state funds can only be invested in fixed-income securities, such as government and corporate bonds and certificates of deposit.

The Constitution currently exempts several funds from this restriction. This exemption applies to any public pension or retirement fund, workers' compensation funds, and money held in trust for the benefit of people with developmental disabilities, permitting those funds to be invested as authorized by law, including in stocks of private companies. The Washington State Investment Board invests and manages these funds.

In 2019, the legislature created a long-term care insurance program. The program provides money to pay for certain long-term care services, such as nursing home care, to program beneficiaries who need assistance with daily living. Under that law, employees pay premiums for long-term care insurance through a payroll deduction, and those premiums are deposited into a Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account. Under the current provision of the Constitution, money held in the Trust Account cannot be invested in stocks of private companies.

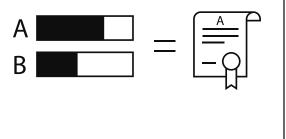
## The Effect of the Proposed Amendment if Approved

This Amendment would allow funds in the Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Account to be invested in stocks of private companies, if authorized by law. Investment income from the Trust Account could only be used for long-term care services and supports for program beneficiaries, including for seniors and people with disabilities.

#### **Fiscal Impact Statement**

Not required by law

Constitutional amendments become law if more than 50% of voters approve.



#### **Argument for**

## Approve 8201 to guarantee long-term care funds are there when we need them

8201 requires 100% of investment income earned by the state's Long-Term Care Trust Fund to be spent on long-term care services for vulnerable seniors and disabled people. Washingtonians want to live with dignity as they age. 8201 supports this shared goal, strengthening the benefit's Trust Fund to help seniors and disabled Washingtonians while protecting taxpayers.

## 8201 is a commonsense measure that ensures tax dollars go further

Current law limits investment of the Trust Fund to only low-return choices, like government bonds and savings certificates. 8201 allows the Trust Fund to be invested to produce higher returns. This proven method would be managed by the independent, nonpartisan Washington State Investment Board, which is bound by the highest fiduciary standards.

## Approve 8201 to increase funding without impacting taxpayers

8201 is projected to grow the Trust Fund by \$67 billion over the next 50 years, money that can be used to increase benefits for people with disabilities and seniors without costing taxpayers a penny. Higher earnings mean more money for care – good for seniors, disabled Washingtonians, their families, and taxpayers!

## 8201 has overwhelming bipartisan support across the political spectrum

It's encouraging when leaders of both parties agree on something – and a supermajority of Democratic and Republican lawmakers approved this commonsense approach. 8201 is supported by nurses, unions, businesses, and groups representing millions of Washingtonian seniors and people with pre-existing conditions. *Vote Approve!* 

#### Rebuttal of argument against

Fact: Since 1981 the independent Washington State Investment Board has safely and effectively managed over \$200 billion for pensions, college savings funds, and more, with an average growth rate of 8% yearly. We must ensure our Long-Term Care Trust Fund grows to keep up with rising costs while protecting taxpayers. A bipartisan supermajority of lawmakers approved this measure. Approve 8201 so WA's Trust Fund is there for aging seniors and people with disabilities.

#### Written by

Justin Gill, APRN, RN, President of Washington State Nurses Association; Bob Ferguson, Governor, Democrat; John Braun, State Senator, Minority Leader, Republican; Carma Matti-Jackson, CEO, Washington Health Care Association; Cathy Knight, State Director, WA Association Area Agencies on Aging; Dani Rice, Caregiver for People with Autism and Down's Syndrome

**Contact:** (206) 451-7139; Ana@approve8201.org; Approve8201.org

#### **Argument against**

#### Reject this constitutional change, again.

Washington voters already rejected this proposal to take taxpayer money and invest in private stocks and corporations (2020, SJR8212). Our state founders protected public funds from risky investments by establishing safeguards in our state Constitution prohibiting corporate stock market investments of your tax dollars.

### Reject constitutional changes that gamble your money in an unstable market.

SJR 8201 overturns safeguards for the Long Term Services and Support (LTSS) fund, a multibillion dollar program established in 2020. Washingtonians are not yet eligible to access program benefits but proponents are *again* asking you to remove a key Constitutional protection. Currently, it's safeguarded in *secured* investments like federal, state and municipal bonds, which support our communities -- *a better use of our tax dollars*. Stock markets and private investments fluctuate greatly, *with no guarantees*, and the benefit needs are unknown in this untested program. This LTSS fund exists to help Washingtonians access long term care as we age or face disability. *When market speculation falls short, taxpayers and beneficiaries would pay the price through reduced benefits or increased taxes.* 

## Rejecting constitutional changes provide more stability and certainty.

Continuing to invest our public money into federal, state and municipal bonds supports public works that we all depend on. Rejecting SJR 8201 provides for better planning and stability.

#### Reject SJR 8201

Our state and LTSS need fiscal responsibility, not financial roulette. Reject SJR 8201 to keep the fund secure, stable, and focused on serving the people who will depend on it.

#### Rebuttal of argument for

Proponents imply a guaranteed return of \$\$billions over 50 years but of course, that's not guaranteed. In 2008 the State Investment Board lost -26.2% and 2022 lost -12.9%. It's how the stock market works. In future recessions or market crashes, when returns fall short, benefits must be cut or tax rates must go up. Compared to *guaranteed* municipal bond returns of 3-5%, the choice is clear. Invest in ourselves, not Wall Street. *Reject SJR 8201*.

#### Written by

**Bob Hasegawa**, State Senator, Democrat, 11<sup>th</sup> District; **Peter Abbarno**, State Representative, Republican, 20<sup>th</sup> District; **Mark Schoesler**, State Senator, Republican, 9<sup>th</sup> District; **Joe Schmick**, State Representative, Republican, 9<sup>th</sup> District

Contact: (360) 786-7616; bob.hasegawa@leg.wa.gov

The Washington State Legislature established a webpage with interactive budget information created by the Legislative Evaluation and Accountability Program (LEAP) Committee and the Office of Financial Management (OFM).

#### **WA Budget Summary:**

https://fiscal.wa.gov/budgetsummary

#### **Legislative Information Center:**

1 (800) 562-6000



#### How can you access this webpage?

- Type the URL into your browser
- Scan the QR code with your smartphone or tablet
- Call the Legislative Information Center

#### What's in the budget?

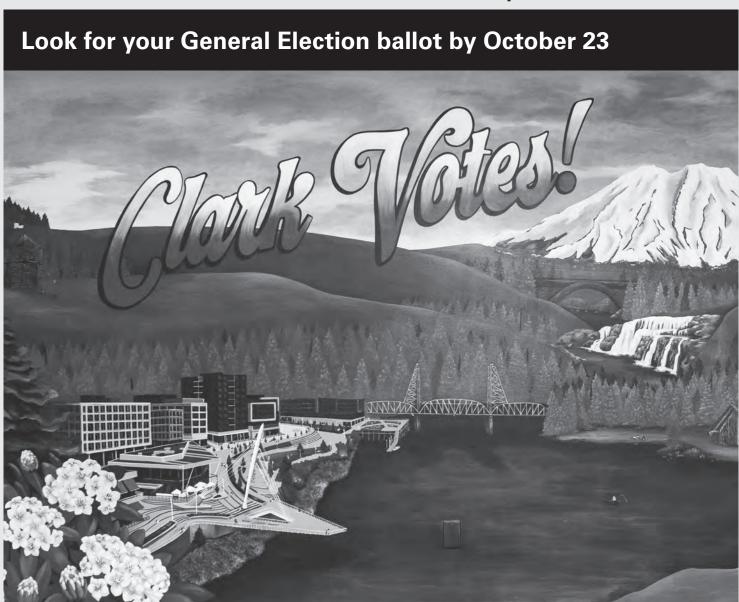
**Operating Budget:** pays for day-to-day operations of state agencies, colleges and universities, and public schools (including federal funds and dedicated funds).

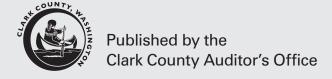
**Transportation Budget:** pays for transportation activities, such as designing and maintaining roads and public transit.

**Capital Budget:** pays for acquiring and maintaining state buildings, public schools, higher education facilities, public lands, parks, and other assets.

## Voters' Pamphlet

November 4, 2025 General and Special Election





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Returning your ballot by mail?

The USPS recommends that you mail a week before Election Day.

Sign up to receive text messages regarding your ballot status.

Text the word VOTE to 868392 (VoteWA).



#### **Political parties**

wadems.org

Washington State Democrats PO Box 4027 Seattle, WA 98194 206.583.0664 info@wa-democrats.org

Washington State Republicans 11911 NE 1st Street, Ste. B 201 Bellevue, WA 98005 425.900.3379 info@wagop.org wagop.org



## Who donates to campaigns?

View information on financial contributors for federal candidates:

#### **Federal Election Commission**

fec.gov Toll Free 800.424.9530

View financial contributors for state and local candidates and measures:

## **Public Disclosure Commission** pdc.wa.gov

Toll Free 877.601.2828

## County Auditor letter

#### Clark County Voter,

In recent elections we have received an unusually large number of ballots where the voter has failed to sign the affidavit envelope. When this happens we notify the voter informing them how they can "cure" their signature issue. We want to count every valid ballot voted by a properly registered voter. Please remember to sign your ballot envelope.

I encourage you to track the status of your ballot. You can do that online at VoteWA.gov. To receive text messages regarding your ballot status updates text "VOTE" to 868392. You can also contact the Elections Department (Phone: 564.397.2345, Email: elections@clark.wa.gov).

To save your county government the expense of providing postage you can return your ballot to one of the 22 ballot boxes. These ballot boxes will be available beginning Thursday, October 16th. The locations of the three ballot boxes closest to you are printed on the instruction sheet enclosed with your ballot. More information about ballot drop off options may be found on pages 16 & 17 of this voters' pamphlet.

The security of our ballot boxes has been increased. Each ballot box now has a sophisticated fire suppression device and a device that informs us when the inside temperature exceeds a specified level or the ballot box experiences a strong impact. In addition we are in the process of installing security cameras at each ballot box.

The elections office moved into the current location in 2003, in that time the number of registered voters increased from 174,000 to more than 353,000. To accommodate that growth and the expected continued growth, we recently completed a significant expansion of the work area. This expansion, and related changes in workflow, has increased security and transparency and will drastically increase the number of ballots we can process each day. The number of customer service stations has been increased from seven to thirteen, allowing us to serve more people in a shorter time than previously.

If you are a registered voter and have not received your General Election ballot in the mail by Thursday, October 23rd, contact the Elections Department to obtain a replacement ballot.

I urge you to read this pamphlet but to also seek out more information. The best decisions are made by informed voters. Your vote makes a difference. I encourage you to join me in exercising one of the most precious rights we have as Americans – the right to vote.

Sincerely,

**Greg Kimsey** Clark County Auditor

## Has your address changed?

### Has your signature changed?

#### Lost or damaged ballot?

#### Contact:

Clark County Elections Office 564.397.2345

elections@clark.wa.gov clarkvotes.org

#### Mailing address

PO Box 8815

Vancouver, WA 98666-8815

#### **Street address**

1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver

#### For other formats, contact the **Clark County ADA Office**

564.397.2282

Relay 711 or 877.833.6341 Fax 564.397.6165

**Email** ADA@clark.wa.gov

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## Voting in Washington State

#### Registering to vote

Registering takes only a few minutes, and you may do so by mail or online at VoteWA.gov.

The deadline to receive new voter registrations and voter updates to



existing registrations online, by phone or by mail is 4 pm Monday, October 27, 2025.

You may still register or update existing voter registrations after October 27, but you must do so in person by 8 pm Tuesday, November 4.

#### Who is eligible to vote?

You must be a United States citizen, and be 18 years or older on November 4, 2025.

#### How to vote

Clark County voters will receive their ballots by mail. If you are a registered voter in Clark County, we will mail you a ballot for every election in which you are eligible to participate.

The page *Voting instructions* (page 19) in this pamphlet explains how to vote. Please read the instructions in this pamphlet. We want your vote to count!

#### Lost or damaged ballot?

If you lose your ballot, or it becomes damaged, you can obtain a replacement ballot by contacting the Elections Office.

Phone: 564.397.2345

Email: elections@clark.wa.gov

Mailing address: PO Box 8815, Vancouver, WA 98666-8815

Street address: 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver Speech-to-speech relay: 711 or 877.833.6341

## Be an informed voter. Here's how.

There are many sources of information for citizens wishing to know more about candidates, and coverage of the November 4, 2025 General and Special Election.



#### Read all about it

- The Columbian columbian.com
- The Oregonian oregonlive.com/elections
- The Camas-Washougal Post-Record camaspostrecord.com
- The Reflector thereflector.com
- **Clark County Today** clarkcountytoday.com

#### **League of Women Voters**

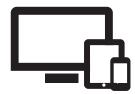
For a schedule of events or candidate forums, see their website at Iwvclarkcounty.org or call 971.220.5874.



#### Watch cable TV

CVTV Clark-Vancouver Television on Comcast cable channels 21 and 23. Election coverage will include candidate forums and interviews of candidates in various races. See TV listings in The Columbian, cable channel 2, and the CVTV website, cvtv.org or call 360.696.8233.

If you do not have cable TV you can obtain videotapes of any program from CVTV.



#### Look online

- Election coverage can be found on the Clark County Elections Office website at clarkvotes.org.
- All Fort Vancouver Regional Library District branches and Camas Public Library have computers with internet connections available for public use during their business hours.
- Follow links provided by candidates to their website, or contact them by email or phone.

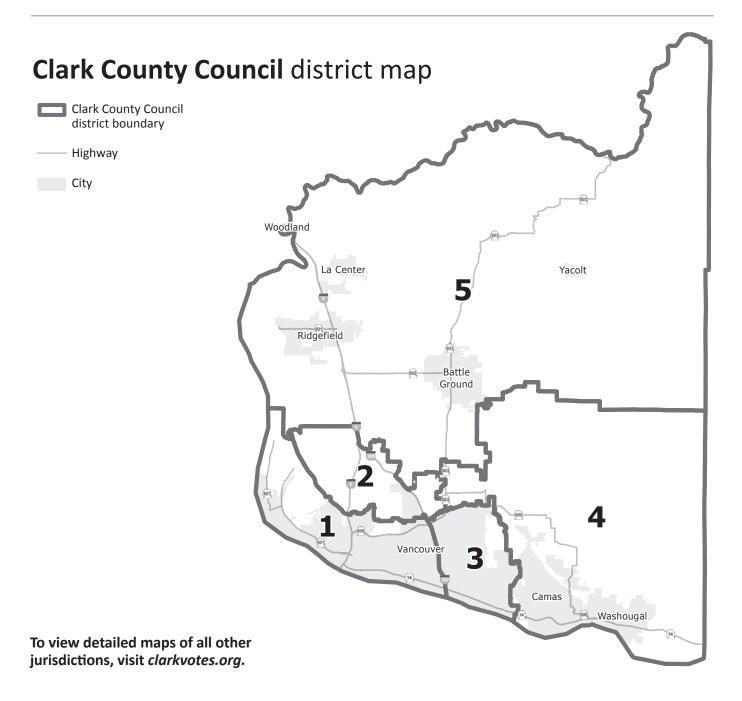
## What district am I in?

#### Are you wondering which jurisdictions you live in?

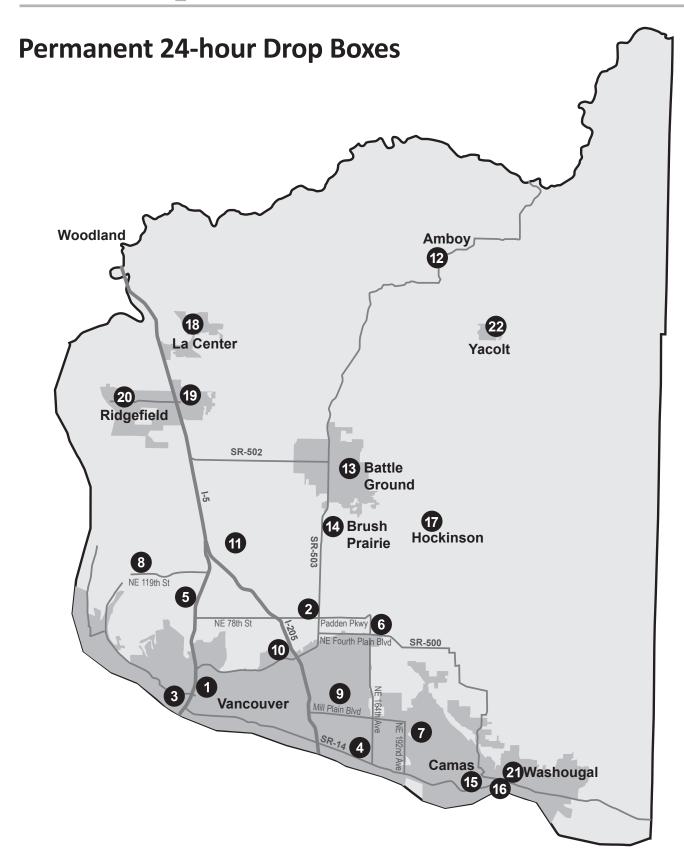
There are several ways to find out:

- Log in to VoteWA.gov to view your personalized voter information
- Refer to your voter registration card to view your jurisdictions
- **Contact** Clark County Elections: 564.397.2345 elections@clark.wa.gov

Visit clarkvotes.org and click on "Voter Resources" in the left-hand column and select "Voter District Information". Click "Open Fullscreen Map" for easier viewing. Click on the layer list icon that is located directly under the address field to select which district you want to look up. Select one district at a time or multiple if you prefer. Enter your address. Zoom in and out of the map to follow the district lines.



## Ballot deposit locations



## Ballot deposit locations

Election Day is Tuesday, November 4, 2025. Starting on October 16 until 8 pm on Election Day, you may return your voted ballot in person to our office, or to one of the following locations:

#### Clark County Elections Office 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver

Regular hours open 8 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday Election Day open 7 am to 8 pm

Red permanent ballot drop boxes (available 24 hours a day until 8 pm on Election Day)

#### Vancouver locations

- 1) Clark College 1933 Fort Vancouver Way (between Hanna Hall and the Penguin Bldg. near flagpole, walk-up only)
- 2 Clark Public Utilities Operations Center 8600 NE 117th Avenue (southeast parking lot)
- **Downtown Vancouver** West 14th and Esther Streets
- 4 Fisher's Landing Transit Center 3510 SE 164th Avenue
- Hazel Dell 99th Street Transit Center 9700 NE 7th Avenue (between 94th & 99th Streets)
- 6 Pioneer Elementary/Frontier Middle School 7600 NE 166th Avenue (parking lot between the two schools)
- **7** Shahala Middle School 601 SE 192nd Avenue (located near flagpole)
- 8 Thomas Jefferson Middle School 3000 NW 119th Street (parking lot)
- USPS Cascade Park 13651 NE 4th Street
- 10 Vancouver Mall Southeast of Macy's near the C-Tran Vine Station (parking lot)
- WSU-Vancouver 14204 NE Salmon Creek Avenue (WSU Entrance Road entering from NE Salmon Creek Avenue, turn right at the first street into the south parking lot)

#### **Other Clark County locations**

- Amboy Middle School 22115 NE Chelatchie Road, Amboy (west parking lot)
- Battle Ground Post Office 418 W Main Street, Battle Ground (next to the blue USPS mailboxes)
- **14** Brush Prairie Post Office 12012 NE 150th Circle, Brush Prairie
- 15 Camas Post Office Downtown 440 NE 5th Avenue, Camas
- 16 Camas Washougal Municipal Court 89 C Street, Washougal
- **Hockinson Community Center** 15916 NE 182nd Avenue, Brush Prairie (parking lot)
- 18 La Center 1001 E 4th Street, La Center (west end of parking lot)
- 19 Ridgefield Junction Park and Ride Pioneer Street exit, east of I-5, 125 N 65th Ave, Ridgefield (north side of parking lot)
- Ridgefield School District Administrative Office 510 Pioneer Street, Ridgefield (walk-up only)
- 21 Washougal Library 1661 C Street, Washougal (west parking lot)
- 22 Yacolt Primary School 507 W Yacolt Road, Yacolt (south parking lot)

#### **WSU Vancouver Student Engagement Hub**

WSU Vancouver offers a student engagement hub to provide its students the opportunity to print their online ballot and deposit it into a secured ballot drop box.

**Washington State University Vancouver** Firstenburg Student Commons (FSC) Vancouver 14204 NE Salmon Creek Ave • Vancouver, WA 98686

Available November 4, Election Day only - 10 am until 8 pm

## Accessible voting

#### **Using the Touch Writer**

Clark County voters with disabilities have the option of casting their ballot independently using an accessible voting unit.

The Touch Writer voting unit is a ballot marking electronic machine that allows voters with disabilities, including those who are blind, mobility-impaired or lack upper-body dexterity, to vote privately and independently. The Touch Writer is in a booth that is wheelchair-accessible.

Beginning 18 days before each election, this accessible voting machine is available from 8 am to 4 pm, and on Election Day from 7 am to 8 pm at the Clark County Elections Office, 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver.



The Touch Writer unit is in a wheelchair-accessible booth.

#### **About the Touch Writer**

The Touch Writer is accessible in several ways:

- For those who cannot operate the Touch Writer using the buttons and wheel, special interface devices are available as shown here.
- For those who cannot see or read the Touch Writer screen, use the headphones with volume control to hear the ballot.

#### **Accessible features**

- Those who are visually impaired or have difficulty reading can listen to the ballot. The SELECT wheel is the trigger to the audio. Turning clockwise moves the listener through the ballot. To hear something repeated, turn the SELECT wheel counterclockwise. Those using hearing aids with a telecoil mode may use their neckloop rather than the headphones.
- Voters who lack upper-body dexterity can use the jelly switches to move through the ballot. The RED jelly switch is the same as the SELECT wheel. The GREEN jelly switch is the same as the ENTER button.
- Voters with quadriplegia can use their sip-n-puff to vote the ballot. Sip to move through the ballot. Puff to mark your choice.







# **Local Voters' Pamphlet**

## Voting instructions

#### Here are a few important reminders to make sure your ballot is counted.

Your ballot packet will be mailed to you at least 18 days before the November 4, 2025 General and Special Election. It will contain:

- An instruction sheet that explains the voting process
- The official ballot where you will mark your choices
- A security sleeve
- A postage-paid return envelope

Returning your ballot by mail?

The USPS recommends that you mail a week before Election Day.

Mark your ballot by completely filling in the box to the left of your choice with a black or blue ink pen. If you want to vote for a candidate not appearing on the ballot, mark the box to the left of the dotted line provided to indicate your choice. Be sure to mark only one choice for each race or measure on the ballot.

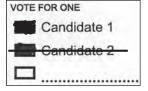
Example: Candidate 2 has been chosen.

One candidate has been marked and the box is filled in completely.



Check your ballot to be sure you have voted for the candidates and measures you intended. Make sure you mark only one response box in each race or measure. If you mark more than one, your vote in that race will not be counted. Your other votes will be counted if they are done correctly. Leaving an office or ballot measure blank will not invalidate your ballot.

If you make a mistake marking your ballot, draw a line through the incorrectly marked choice as shown. You then have the option of marking another choice.



# You must *sign* and date your return envelope in order for your ballot to be counted!

- Sign in the signature box that has YOUR name printed on the envelope.
- If you registered to vote when you obtained your driver's license, the signature on your driver's license is the signature in your voter registration record.
- If you registered to vote online, the signature in your voter registration record is either your driver's license signature or the signature you uploaded directly to the voter portal.
- If you are unsure about the signature in your voter registration record, we encourage you to call the Elections Office at 564.397.2345.
- Do NOT sign someone else's name, even if you have power of attorney.
- Voting over the phone by having someone else fill out and sign your ballot is against the law. Voters can call us at 564.397.2345 to learn about the options for voting while they are out of town.
- Drop boxes are available if you don't want your signature to go through the mail. See pages 16-17 for a complete list of ballot deposit locations.
- Sign up to receive text messages regarding your ballot status. Text the word VOTE to 868392 (VoteWA).

## Washington State's voting rights

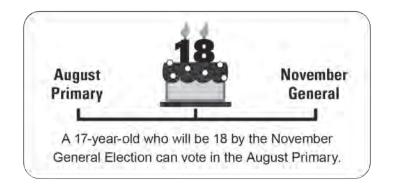
#### 17-year-old voters

Washington Legislation passed in March of 2020 allows 17-year-olds who will be 18 by a General Election to vote in the preceding Primary.

Sixteen and seventeen year-olds can pre-register and will automatically be registered when they are eligible to vote.

#### Pre-registering can be done through:

- Clark County Elections Office
- Department of Licensing
- Online at VoteWA.gov



#### Not sure if you've pre-registered?

Call Clark County Elections at 564.397.2345 and make sure your physical and mailing address are current so you receive your ballot.

#### **Felony Conviction and Voting Rights**

Washington Legislation went into effect January 1, 2022 regarding convicted felons and their right to vote.

#### When is my right to vote restored?

- Your right to vote is restored automatically once you are no longer serving a sentence of total confinement in prison following a felony conviction.
- You do not lose the right to vote for a misdemeanor conviction or a conviction in juvenile court.

#### **Registering to vote**

Once your right to vote is restored, you must register to vote even if you were previously registered. You do not need a certificate of discharge to register to vote.

#### You can register to vote at:

- Clark County Elections Office
- Department of Licensing
- Online at VoteWA.gov

# Local Voters' Pamphlet

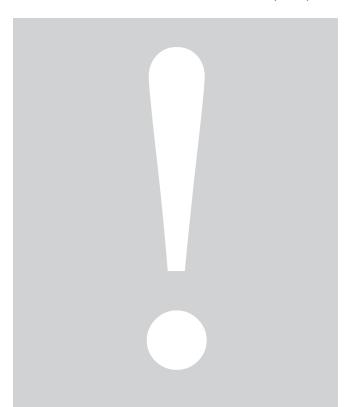
## Do your part!

While the Elections Office is continually updating the voter rolls with information from the Department of Licensing, the post office, local obituaries and a monthly public health deceased list, you can do your part by following these simple steps:

- **Update your address** with the Elections Office whenever it changes. Address changes can be made online through VoteWA.gov, by email, mail or phone until 4 pm October 27. You may update your registration in-person until 8 pm on Election Day.
- If you are a snowbird or a college student, visit our website or call to set up a temporary or seasonal mailing address.
- Return to Sender! If you receive a ballot for a person who does not live at your residence, write "Does not live here" on the unopened envelope and put it back in the mail. Do not deposit it into a drop box.
- If you receive a ballot for a recently deceased voter, write "Deceased" on the unopened envelope and put it back in the mail. We will research and follow up.

Keeping up-to-date with the Elections Office is quick and easy!

clarkvotes.org elections@clark.wa.gov PO Box 8815 Vancouver, WA 98666 564.397.2345



## **Candidate and** measure statements are printed exactly as submitted.

Clark County Elections does not correct punctuation, grammar, typos or inaccurate information.

Candidate statements and contact information are current as of publication date. Please visit the online voters' guide at clarkvotes.org and click on the VoteWA graphic to see a personalized voters' guide with the most current information.



#### **Cemal Richards**

**Elected Experience** Precinct Committee Officer; Secretary, Tix for Tots (Nonprofit Organization).

Other Professional Experience Software Engineer - 16 years; Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce; Building Industry Association; WPC Young Professionals Program; Thesis Employee Resource Group - Black Excellence.

**Education** Master of Arts Interactive Media - CSU East Bay, CA; Bachelor of Arts Digital Media - CSU Sacramento, CA.

**Community Service** Clark County Redistricting Committee; Telecommunications Advisory Commission; Vancouver City Litter Steward; Homeless Outreach Coordinator - Various organizations in Clark County.

**Statement** Our county charter is foundational to how we, as a community, govern ourselves. Therefore, it deserves careful, thoughtful review to ensure it has power, impartiality, and trustworthiness, thereby improving the function of county government.

Changes to our charter should empower the citizens of Clark County. My goal will be to ensure practical recommendations are brought to the voters. Ensuring transparency at all levels throughout the review process is my top priority. I bring a datadriven, solutions-focused approach to public service.

Throughout the last four years, I have spent extensive time examining ways to improve the county charter. I have additionally spent many hours in discussion with current and former county employees to ascertain what changes could be made for a better charter. With a background in graduate research, I bring strong attention to detail. I'm committed to ensuring any amendments will be determined through rigorous standards, thoughtful and practical examination, and built to last.

Together, we can create a county government that works for everyone. I ask for your support and look forward to serving all residents with integrity and dedication.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 1, Position No. 1



#### **Patrick Adigweme**

**Elected Experience** Elected twice as Chair of the Planning Commission. Previously served as Precinct Committee Officer.

Other Professional Experience Supply Chain Management professional with experience in the Food, Medical Device, Energy, and Defense industries. Small Business Owner.

Education Attended Saint Michael's College in Colchester, VT, with further studies in Cybersecurity at Portland Community College.

**Community Service** Chair of the City of Vancouver Planning Commission, Committee Member of the Vancouver Economic Development Strategy Steering Committee, Member of the Heights Community Investment Committee. Member of the Community Leaders Advisory Group for Vancouver Public Schools. Former Board Member of the Foundation for Vancouver Public Schools. 2025 graduate of Leadership Clark County.

**Statement** We need a charter that reflects who we are today and who we want to be tomorrow. My work with the City of Vancouver has been extensive and hands-on, including time spent on various volunteer boards and commissions. This work has taught me the value of building partnerships across our community. I know how to navigate tough conversations and deliver results while protecting the interests of the people.

On the Charter Commission, I'll champion transparency and push for a government ready to meet the challenges of the future.

There are many strong parts of the charter which should be preserved. However, we have the wonderful opportunity to fine tune the parts that need a little maintenance. It's time to think boldly, plan wisely, and move Clark County forward.

I'm ready to get to work — and I would be honored to have your vote.

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Commissioner, District No. 1, Position No. 2



#### Ann Donnelly

**Elected Experience** Precinct Committee Officer (30 years).

Other Professional Experience Geologist, consultant, energy, 30 years; evaluating and developing complex energy projects; leading teams of experts; balancing reliability, cost, and environmental impacts.

Education B. Sc, Geology, Stanford University; M.A. Paleontology, University of California, Berkeley; Ph.D. Geology, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Community Service County Law and Justice Council; Salvation Army Vancouver (Board); Children's Justice Center Friends (Board); Clark County Public Safety Alliance (Co-Founder); Clark County Jail Project (Stakeholder): NAMI SW Washington (President), Columbia River Mental Health (Board); Center for the Arts SW WA (Board);

Clark College Foundation (Board); Ft. Vancouver Regional Library (Board); Southcliff Neighborhood Association (Chair).

Statement Clark County's Charter is our privilege and responsibility. It serves as the county's bylaws and constitution, helping to define what the county can do and in some cases what it must do. My priorities on this nonpartisan commission will be public safety, mental health and budgetary restraint. Reforms of the charter may add more accountability in those areas. I will promote balanced solutions for efficiency in council operations, while guarding constitutional rights and respecting minority and majority viewpoints.

For the past 37 years, I have contributed to Clark County's community activities supporting education, public safety, mental health, help for those in need, and the arts. I have consistently advocated for mental health services, hosting the Donnelly Walk for Mental Health, now in its 14th year, benefiting NAMI SW Washington. I represent the mental health community on the county's Law and Justice Council. To address increasing crime, I cofounded Clark County Public Safety Alliance, and originated the Angels with Badges awards for heroic law enforcement. I am a citizen advocate for improving our county jail. My record of community service, professional experience, and balanced approach is why I am asking for voters' support.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 1, Position No. 2



#### Adrienne Mason

**Elected Experience** School Board President, Rooted School Vancouver

#### Other Professional Experience

Nonprofit leader with over fifteen years of experience in Clark County. I've built a career leading teams supporting families and children, drawing on my early work in homes and schools to guide programs that meet real community needs with care and accountability.

**Education** Master of Social Work. Portland State University: Bachelor of Humanities, Washington State University: Certificates in Human Services Management, Community Practice, and **Fundraising Management** 

Community Service Leadership Clark County graduate; Clark County Community Health Improvement Plan steering committee; Clark County Infant Toddler Collaborative Chair

**Statement** Clark County is my home, and I care deeply about the people who live here. I'm running because I believe our county government should reflect what is important to the people it serves and be shaped by those it represents.

For over a decade, I've worked and volunteered here in our community—as a nonprofit leader, school board president, and as a leader of local public health efforts. I've helped families navigate complex social service and I've seen how important local decisions have impacted real lives; I've learned the value of listening, consistency, and showing up.

This Charter Review is an important opportunity. It's our chance to make sure the county's foundational document is working as intended and serving the public well. I am asking for your vote because I want to help guide a clear, thoughtful process that welcomes input, and puts people first.

I believe in inclusive leadership that's grounded in values, shaped by community voices, and accountable to the people it serves. I'd be honored to bring that perspective—and earn your trust—on the Charter Review Commission.

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#### **Leah Perkel**

**Elected Experience** Clark Conservation Board Supervisor & Auditor, Local party State Committee Member and PCO

Other Professional Experience 20 years Inside Sales/Customer Service and 3 years Office Assistant

Education Mt. View High School, Appollo College (Dental Assistant program) and continued education at Clark College for computer training.

Community Service Sunday School teacher, Stone Soup, Food Bank, Friends of Trees, Sprucing The Couve, Winter Hospitality Overflow, Tacos In The Park for ARC and Peace and Justice Fair.

Statement In governance, it is important to have strong listening skills and to be able to work collaboratively with others. It is the responsibility of elected officials to listen to the community and elevate their voices.

Centering honesty and transparency, I bring to the table empathy and understanding of the issues that concern residents of Clark County. One value I bring to work on the charter is my commitment to community voice, which has helped build strong relationships with my neighbors.

As a lifelong resident myself, I have been active in my neighborhood and the broader community for over 10 years. I have served on a variety of boards during this time, where I learned to work effectively with groups of people who have unique and diverse perspectives.

I have seen many changes in the growth and development of our community, like witnessing the loss of farmland replaced by homes and businesses. One of my priorities is to improve community engagement with County government. I believe that we should have at least two community forums per year to get better input from the community. Please contact me or find more information at www.Leahperkel.com. I ask for your support and your vote.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 1, Position No. 3



#### Eric LaBrant

**Elected Experience** Port of Vancouver Commissioner, 2016 to Present; Fruit Valley Neighborhood Association, 2010 to Present.

Other Professional Experience Accounting Management, Process Improvement, Consulting and Strategic Planning; Certified Public Arbitrator

**Education** Western Governors University - Bachelor of Science in Business Management: Cornell University - Diversity and Inclusion in the Workplace Certification; Leadership Clark County Class of 2017.

Community Service Columbia River Economic Development Council Board Member; WSU Vancouver Business Growth MAP Volunteer Mentor; Battle Ground Education Foundation Strategic Planning; Vancouver Lake Watershed Partnership Steering Group.

**Statement** Is our county government working as well as it should?

Clark County's Charter, the county's "constitution," is the foundation of our county government. This year it requires a review to let us look at what's working and what's not. This is our opportunity to update the Charter by having elected Charter Review Commissioners make recommendations for improving the Charter. Their recommendations then go to the voters who make the final decisions about any change - changes that ensure our county is responsible, sustainable, transparent, and accountable.

I have the experience, track record, and a plan for engaging with folks from various backgrounds early and often so our charter reflects our whole community, not political voices or ideologies. I serve the community in several roles, and will use that experience to again represent you.

What is working? What needs improving? I'm here to listen and to represent your goals and values for our county, and I humbly ask for vour vote.

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#### John Bower

**Elected Experience** Elected to the **Evergreen Education Association** Representative Council.

Other Professional Experience Substitute Teacher at Evergreen Public

Education I have an MA in teaching and a BA in history, both from Washington State University of Vancouver.

Community Service Proud to have volunteered with the Vancouver Free Fridge Project, Stone Soup, and the Clark County Food Bank.

Statement Interest groups and wealthy stakeholders control our local government. They donate huge sums of money to political campaigns, molding our County government to their interests. As a working class Commissioner, I will work to ensure our County government only serves the people, not special interests. We must insist that County Councilors hold a public forum at least twice yearly, so councilors can be held accountable for their actions by the public. Further, we must adopt Ranked Choice Voting, a nonpartisan reform proven to effectively increase representation, save money, and increase voter participation.

I was born and raised in Clark County. As an educator, I work hard to take care of and teach kids every school day. I have designed numerous project-based lessons encouraging civic engagement. During my history education at WSU Vancouver, I learned about our community and its history, and I believe my local education uniquely prepares me for this position. The County must be made more responsive to the needs of Clark County voters. I ask for your vote for the Charter Review Commission.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 2, Position No. 1



#### **Brandon Erickson**

Elected Experience Appointed to the Clark County Parks Advisory Board; former Precinct Committee Officer.

Other Professional Experience Founder of a Clark County-based engineering firm advising on complex regional projects. I help clients make informed decisions that balance priorities with financial constraints. That work has

shown me how local policies shape real outcomes in our community.

Education Master of Science from Stanford University; Bachelor of Science from Brigham Young University.

Community Service Board member of the Hazel Dell Salmon Creek Business Association; active member of the Felida Neighborhood Association; longtime church volunteer; former youth sports coach.

**Statement** Local government often feels distant from those it serves. We begin fixing this by making lasting charter improvements that reflect what Clark County residents expect from our government. I'm running because this rare opportunity to update Clark County's charter, our local constitution, allows us to put residents first. As a commissioner, I'll prioritize public safety, financial accountability, citizen initiative rights, transparency, and affordability.

I bring practical judgment, relevant experience, and insight into how policies shape daily life. Throughout my career, I've solved problems, weighed tradeoffs, and made decisions that deliver results. That's exactly what this charter review demands, and I'm ready to put my experience to work.

Clark County has been my home for nearly 30 years. I've raised a family, built a business, and made a life I cherish here. I'm grateful for all this community has given me, and I'm ready to give back. If elected, I will listen and bring your priorities into the process.

I'll serve with accountability and clarity and respectfully ask for your vote so I may carry out this important work on your behalf.

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Commissioner, District No. 2, Position No. 2



#### Cathie Garber

Elected Experience First-time candidate.

Other Professional Experience Over 25 years of elections administration experience, including 15 years as Director of Clark County Elections Office (retired in January 2025). I was honored to be recognized by Washington's Secretary of State as

the Elections Administrator of the Year for 2024.

**Education** Nationally recognized Certified Elections Registration Administrator (CERA); maintained Washington State Elections Administrator certification: Executive Steering Committee member for the design and implementation of VoteWA, Washington's Voter Registration and Election Management System.

Community Service Former Girl Scout leader.

**Statement** Our Home Rule Charter defines the structure, power and processes of county government within the framework of our state Constitution and laws. Every five years we elect 15 people to decide if an amendment, or amendments, to the charter will be placed on the ballot for voters to consider.

Proposed charter amendments need to be researched, and mindful of the cost to taxpayers as well as possible conflicts with the Constitution and laws before asking voters to approve them. With my extensive knowledge of election laws, I can help save taxpayers' time and money by helping craft proposed charter amendments that have the proper legal authority to be implemented under the state Constitution and laws.

I am a good listener and will work collaboratively with the other charter review commissioners. I will invite and encourage citizens to provide charter amendment ideas and ask for their input on the Charter Review Commission's charter amendment ideas. I will thoughtfully and carefully consider all charter amendment ideas.

We need good governance and a well-thought-out charter. I will work hard to ensure that proposed charter amendments brought forward to you, the voter, make sense. I would be honored to have your vote.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 2, Position No. 2



#### **Bob Runnells**

**Elected Experience** Precinct Committee Officer since 2019

Other Professional Experience Retired from 30+ year aerospace engineering and enterprise risk management consulting career; currently a volunteer director of health education non-profits, with five years of planning events across the state and

lobbying in Olympia on legislative issues.

Education BS Aerospace Engineering (Colorado); MBA-finance (California-Irvine)

Community Service Stream Team-certified Stream Steward restoring Salmon Creek watershed, a program through Clark Public Utilities (2018-2020); Certified Election Observer at Clark County Elections Office in every primary and general election since 2022.

**Statement** Clark County was a great place to raise a family when I moved here sixteen years ago. Today, I'm worried we're losing what made it special. I'm deeply concerned with the county's trajectory - students and schools are lagging, law enforcement is underfunded, and vagrancy remains a threat to safety and quality of life. As your Charter Review Commissioner, I'll keep the whole community in mind to prioritize amendments that will bolster public safety, making it possible to set policies that support higher staffing levels and officer resources.

My political views are rooted in fiscal conservatism, small government, and protection of individual rights for a more sustainable society. I'll only support amendments that lead to responsible spending. Affordability of new programs or projects should be clearly communicated to county citizens, especially for the I-5 Interstate Bridge Replacement program which currently fails to address core issues.

Bringing 30 years of solving technical and management issues in the commercial world, I will work with all stakeholders to make our county government Charter more effective and efficient. Please vote for me so we can build a safer and stronger Clark County.

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Commissioner, District No. 2, Position No. 2



#### **Justin Oberg**

**Elected Experience** Former Precinct Committee Officer, State Committeeman, and Executive Board **Director representing Southwest** Washington on a state party committee. Advocated for local reform and grassroots representation.

Other Professional Experience Director of IT at Load To Ride

Transportation and Maren-Go Solutions (Vancouver Innovation Center); CTO of CargoRx; Data Engineer at ZoomInfo. Over a decade in data, logistics, and systems strategy.

Education Associate of Arts, Clark College — Honors Program graduate. Continuing studies in systems governance, law, and public infrastructure reform.

Community Service Volunteer intake assistant at Southwest Free Clinic; file and fax coordinator for PeaceHealth Coagulation Unit; school volunteer with Vancouver Public Schools, supporting youth education and accessibility.

**Statement** We, the people of Clark County, are ready to take a hard look at the system that's supposed to serve us. And make it better. Too often, decisions that affect our daily lives are made behind closed doors, by unelected administrators, with little accountability or visibility. We believe in expertise, but not in insulation. We want leadership that answers to the people, not just to process.

This Charter Review Commission is our chance to fix that. To restore public trust, sharpen accountability, and modernize a system that feels increasingly out of step with the people it represents. Let's rethink how power moves in this county. Let's make it easier for residents to participate, easier to follow decisions, and harder for responsibility to disappear into the void. We're not here to burn anything down. We're here to build something stronger, together.

I'm running not to speak for the people, but as the people. I'll fight for more access, more clarity, and more voice. Not just for the wellconnected, but for every neighborhood, every worker, every family that calls Clark County home. Let's stop accepting "just how it is." Let's redesign how it should be.

By us. Of us. For us.

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Commissioner, District No. 2, Position No. 3



#### Kim Hamlik

Elected Experience President, Curtin Creek Neighborhood Association. Appointed to Identity Clark County's Ed Lynch Board Seat, serving an honorary one-year term.

Other Professional Experience 20+ years of leadership in education, real estate, and caregiving. Successfully operated a small business. Currently

oversee cafeteria operations and caregiver staff, demonstrating expertise in leadership, budgeting, and organizational management

**Education** Lifelong learner with training in community leadership. organizational development, and local government operations equipping me to contribute effectively to Clark County's governance.

Community Service President, Curtin Creek Neighborhood Association. Former President, VTC Foundation, raising over \$300,000 for youth tennis programs. Board member, Trauma Intervention Program Northwest. Volunteer, Veterans Assistance Center's Christmas Store.

**Statement** District 2 deserves a transparent, accountable, and effective leader on the Charter Review Commission, and I intend to deliver. For 40+ years, I've called Clark County home, raising four children and strengthening our community. I prioritize sustainable growth, public safety, and transparency, and will bring these values to the Charter Review Commission.

As President of the Neighborhood Association, I advocate for responsible development, safer streets, and enhanced public safety through funded sheriff services. As former President of the VTC Foundation, I raised over \$300,000, revitalizing courts and youth programs. I serve on the Trauma Intervention Program Northwest board, aiding first responders, and volunteer with the Veterans Assistance Center, managing the Christmas Store for veterans' families.

With experience as a small business owner, cafeteria manager, and caregiver supervisor, I bring strong financial and organizational skills. I've led teams for 30+ years and I'll bring that leadership to our charter. I'll fight for secure elections, protect citizen initiative rights, and ensure balanced council powers with strong ethics oversight. My commitment is clear: a transparent, accountable, and tax-smart charter that reflects our values.

Vote Kim Hamlik for Charter Review Commission, District 2, Position 3—to build a Community-Strong, Charter-Smart future.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 2, Position No. 3



#### Jim Foote

Elected Experience I've spent nearly 30 years in Vancouver, deeply committed to strengthening our community. With a Master's degree from Washington State University, I built a successful career in high-tech, solving complex problems, providing cybersecurity, safeguarding critical systems, and driving growth while improving operational efficiency. In 2018, I applied my experience by

founding a company dedicated to improving cancer treatment through Functional Precision Medicine and Al. My leadership, strategic vision, and dedication to public service have shaped my advocacy for responsible governance, transparency, and community safety. I look forward to serving Clark County and ensuring its charter supports a thriving future.

Other Professional Experience No Information Submitted

**Education** No Information Submitted

Community Service No Information Submitted

**Statement** I would be honored to serve on the Clark County Charter Review Commission. Having lived in Vancouver for nearly 30 years, I am deeply committed to ensuring our community's continued growth, safety, and prosperity. Thoughtful and effective governance is the foundation of a thriving community, and I am dedicated to strengthening our charter to reflect the needs and values of our residents.

Community safety is central to my campaign. Through strategic charter amendments, I aim to support policies that enhance public safety, improve local resources, and ensure a responsive and resilient government. A strong charter promotes fairness, integrity, and accountability in serving the people of Clark County.

Clark County is built on a spirit of unity and support. I am grateful to be part of a community that uplifts one another, and I am committed to preserving this strength through governance that prioritizes the well-being of all residents.

As a member of the Charter Review Commission, I will advocate for policies that foster security, transparency, and responsible growth. Together, we can build a stronger, safer, and more vibrant future. I look forward to earning your trust and working alongside you to shape the future of Clark County.

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Commissioner, District No. 2, Position No. 3



#### **Sean Oberg**

Elected Experience None. This is my first time seeking public office, motivated by a desire to ensure Clark County's government works for everyday people.

Other Professional Experience Five years in outside field sales and customer relations across the Western U.S., focused on residential services and logistics.

**Education** Attended Clark College and Skyview High School. Completed professional training in sales, communication, and team leadership.

Community Service Active volunteer in neighborhood cleanup efforts and youth mentorship. Committed to engaging with local residents to better understand and represent community priorities.

**Statement** I'm running for the Charter Review Commission because it's time for new energy and new voices in Clark County. As one of the youngest candidates in this race, I represent a generation that's ready to be involved, not just talked about. I've heard from county leaders that youth participation is needed. I'm stepping up to answer that call.

This charter review is our chance to open the doors wider for public involvement. I support creating an online tracker so people can easily follow and participate in the county's mini-initiative process, no more buried forms or confusing steps. If the people have power, they should be able to use it.

I also believe our county's Ethics Commission should deliver its findings directly to the public, not filtered through the County Manager or County Council. Government integrity should be open, visible, and accountable to the people at every stage.

I'm not part of any political machine. I'm here to represent working families, young voices, and anyone who's felt left out of local decisions. I'll listen, show up, and fight to make Clark County's charter a living document that truly serves us all.

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Commissioner, District No. 3, Position No. 1



#### Michael Bauman Sr.

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience No Information Submitted

**Education** No Information Submitted Community Service No Information Submitted

Statement I was born and raised in

Vancouver, Washington—just like my wife. Together, we raised five children here, all of whom graduated from Evergreen High School. We are now proud grandparents to ten grandchildren.

After 58 years of calling Vancouver home, I've decided to get involved in our political system because I'm deeply concerned about the direction our city is heading. I've watched as outside influences have pushed Vancouver to resemble Portland or Seattle, and I believe it's time to stand up for a different path.

If elected, I will do everything in my power to preserve the character of our community and prevent it from being reshaped by agendas that don't reflect our values. A vote for me is a vote to restore stability, prosperity, and harmony in the city I've dedicated my life to.

Thank you for your support. MTB

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 3, Position No. 1



#### **Ben Christly**

**Elected Experience** Former President, Student Nurse Association, Missouri State University

Other Professional Experience Veteran, Flight Nurse, Professional Endurance Coach, Small Business Owner

**Education** Bachelor of Science in Nursing; Associate of Arts; currently pursuing a Master's in Leadership at Northeastern University

Community Service Youth Football Coach; Meals on Wheels Volunteer; Advocate for Veterans and Access to Healthcare; Active in civic engagement through tree planting, habitat restoration, and local outreach partnerships with the City of Vancouver and community organizations

**Statement** I'm Ben Christly and I ask for your vote to help ensure that county governance is rooted in fairness with decisions that reflect our shared values. I'm running to represent District 3 on the Charter Review Commission because I believe local government should be accountable, transparent, and designed to serve the people, not special interests.

As a father of three, veteran, small business owner, flight nurse, and advocate for public service, I understand the everyday consequences of government decisions. I'll advocate for fair representation, open meetings, and charter language that's easy to understand by every voter, not just legal professionals.

The county charter is more than a legal document; it's the foundation of how Clark County operates. Every five years, we elect commissioners to review that charter and propose changes that reflect the values, needs, and direction of our community. With current conversations around redistricting fairness, initiative access, and elected official compensation, this work is more important than ever.

Clark County is changing rapidly, and our charter should evolve with it. As your Charter Review Commissioner, I'll bring a practical, community focused mindset to this work, grounded in real-world experience, guided by common sense, and driven by public input.

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Commissioner, District No. 3, Position No. 1



#### Jill Ross

**Elected Experience** Precinct Committee Officer (2023 - Present)

Other Professional Experience Insurance Industry Representative; Flight Attendant; Homeschool Educator; Tai Chi for Health Instructor

**Education** Bachelor's Degree in Business Management - George Fox College

**Community Service** Decades of church

service. Team member for writing governing documents for local organization. Assisting with multiple election campaigns. Election Integrity/Voter Roll Maintenance Volunteer, ensuring accurate records. Forum Chair, organizing community policy discussions. Maintain a voter registration and education center for a local community.

Statement As a Clark County resident since 1986, I understand the importance of a strong and responsive local government. The County Charter is our community's foundational document, and the Charter Review Committee plays a vital role in ensuring it remains aligned with the will of the people. I spent more than a year working on a full rewrite of a nonprofit's constitution, followed by writing policies for several of its committees. That kind of hands-on experience with real-world governing documents gives me a solid foundation to serve effectively on the Charter Review Commission.

If elected, I will prioritize people over bureaucracy, protect your right to petition, and work for greater accountability and fiscal responsibility. Since I moved here, safety has become a greater concern. I will be looking for amendments that support our law enforcement.

I believe in thoughtful, commonsense solutions that strengthen local governance and reflect our community's values. By carefully reviewing the Charter and proposing needed adjustments, we can ensure a more effective balance between professional management and public oversight. I'm committed to listening to your concerns and representing your voice with integrity and purpose.

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#### Janet Gullberg

Elected Experience None.

Other Professional Experience Healthcare Administration, Sales, Medical Transcription, and freelance Court Reporter

**Education** Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Concordia University (2007); Court Reporting, Southern Illinois University -Carbondale, IL

Community Service Proud Mom who actively supported my kids' school, Law Enforcement Wife and Mother. Active community volunteer. Member of the Elks Lodge and Moose Lodge. Former member of Rotary.

Statement As a resident of Clark County for 28 years, I believe we deserve a government that prioritizes transparency, accountability, and community involvement. Public safety must be a top priority. Our law enforcement agencies are understaffed and overwhelmed. I will push for Charter changes to secure stable funding and adequate staffing for our deputies, so they have the tools needed to protect our neighborhoods.

I oppose tolls and will champion smart, practical transportation solutions that reduce congestion without placing additional financial burdens on families and will advocate for a Charter amendment that increases public participation and ensures your tax dollars are spent openly and responsibly. My mission is to unite residents and build a government that serves everyone, focused on safety, fiscal responsibility, and transparent leadership. I am unafraid to make tough decisions and will work tirelessly to represent every citizen of Clark County.

I respectfully ask for your vote to help create a stronger, safer, and more accountable future for all.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 3, Position No. 2



#### Janet Landesberg

**Elected Experience** Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience Social Security Administration Administrative Law Judge; IFPTE Union Steward for Administrative Law Judge Office; United States Air Force Claims Service--Chief Government Recovery Section; Assistant General Counsel

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; Captain United States Army Judge Advocate General Corps.

**Education** Juris Doctorate Marshall-Wythe School of Law at the College of William & Mary: Bachelor of Arts with Distinction in American Government at the University of Virginia.

Community Service SR-14 sound wall built behind Fairway Village (committee chair); City of Vancouver Charter Review Committee 2023-2024; Clark County Redistricting Committee 2020-2021; League of Women Voters' State Redistricting Committee.

**Statement** I support an amendment to the County Charter to improve the redistricting process by establishing timelines for citizen applications and for the County Council's selection process. The Redistricting Committee should be in place at the time the County receives the new census data. Candidates for Council should know three months before filing week in which district they reside. As a retired member of the federal judiciary with legal careers in government service, I want to ensure that Clark County adopts principles and procedures of good governance.

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Commissioner, District No. 3, Position No. 3



#### John Jay

**Elected Experience** Candidate for Clark County Council in 2024, received endorsement from The Columbian.

Other Professional Experience
Marketing professional focused on
providing financial services to the
military community and their families.

**Education** University of Texas at Austin, Masters of Business Administration;

University of California, Berkeley, BA in Political Science with Minor in Public Policy.

**Community Service** Vancouver Planning Commission; Treasurer, Rotary Club of the Three Creeks; Precinct Committee Officer; Secretary, Clark County Parks Advisory Board; Vice-Chair, Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce Government and Public Affairs Committee; and public speaking coach in Toastmasters.

**Statement** The Charter Review Commission is a rare opportunity for voters to shape the foundational document of our county and influence how decisions are made moving forward. My goal is simple: to be *your voice*, and to make sure the county operates efficiently, and fairly with the best interests of the community in mind. Through years of active participation in various community organizations and boards, I have built a deep understanding of local issues that will inform my work on the commission.

I am running to improve how decisions are made, streamline county processes, and create a government that is responsive to all residents—allowing our county to focus on what matters most: public safety, economic growth, and improved infrastructure. I commit to listen to *your concerns*, turning *your ideas* into actionable solutions. With a focus on integrity, innovation, and inclusivity, I invite all members of the community to join me in shaping a brighter future for Clark County.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 3, Position No. 3



#### **Henry Marion**

**Elected Experience** Washington State 17th Legislative District Democratic Precinct Committee Officer, Precinct 662 (appointed)

Other Professional Experience
Member in Good Standing, The Florida
Bar; Previous member of Sheet Metal
Workers Local 16 (now SMART 16); From
2018-2025, Project Manager at Just
Right Heating & Cooling.

**Education** University of Florida, Bachelor of Arts, 2004. University of Florida, Levin College of Law, Juris Doctor, 2008.

**Community Service** Member, FairVote (SW Washington chapter). Member, Clark County Democratic Women. Member, League of Women Voters.

**Statement** Our Charter Review Commission is a critical voice for the people - it brings direct democracy, transparency and accountability to local government through the participation of ordinary citizens. The right of the people to petition their government is fundamental; we all have a responsibility to support and refine our Charter so Clark County continues to be a great place to live and work.

The Home Rule Charter belongs to all of us, and I want to work together with all of you to strengthen it. Community input is my guiding principle, and you don't need to wait until Election Day to reach out. If anyone has ideas on how to improve our charter, I am always here to listen.

I am proud to call Vancouver home, where I have managed HVAC renovations of five Evergreen public schools - supporting local living-wage construction and manufacturing jobs, and improving the learning environment for our students. I have extensive professional experience achieving consensus among a diverse array of stakeholders, where I also learned the value of navigating honest disagreements with civility.

With your support *and* your input, I would be honored to serve our community as your next Charter Review Commissioner.

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Commissioner, District No. 4, Position No. 1



#### **Amber Kent**

**Elected Experience** Precinct Coordinating Officer for the 18th Legislative District

Other Professional Experience Medical assistant, phlebotomy, caregiving

**Education** Battle Ground High School 2001

Community Service No Information Submitted

**Statement** Being a member of the Charter Review Commission is important to me because I want to help ensure that our Government is being fair and transparent when dealing with any changes to our county's charter. 20+ yr. resident of Clark County. I am a mother of one, the partner of a disabled veteran and a proud union member and supporter.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 4, Position No. 1



#### Liz Cline

**Elected Experience** Elected Republican Precinct Committee Officer 2020 and 2024

Other Professional Experience Licensed Insurance Professional since 2002, Owner of Cascade Insurance Solutions (Medicare-focused). Former Washington and Oregon State and Territory Manager and Broker Manager

for three Fortune 500 insurance companies, Responsible for sales growth and development, Property Management.

Education Edmonds Community College, Edmonds, WA (coursework), Graduated from John F. Kennedy High School (Seattle) with Honors. Annual Insurance Continuing Education Coursework, and Medicare Certification.

Community Service Current President – Clark County Republican Women, Executive Board – Washington Federation of Republican Women, Charity Fundraiser, Community Gardener, Campaign Volunteer, Former Camas Rotarian.

**Statement** As a seasoned insurance professional, Medicare agency owner, property owner, and dedicated volunteer, I've spent years engaging with Clark County's diverse community, understanding its needs. Public safety is underfunded, transportation priorities are overlooked, and homelessness is rising. If elected to the Charter Review Commission, I'll advocate for commonsense Charter amendments that address these critical issues, ensuring solutions benefit everyone. My experience navigating complex regulations equips me to analyze and strengthen our Charter thoughtfully, prioritizing transparency and accountability to serve all residents.

I'm committed to listening to every voice, fostering inclusive decision-making that unites our community. My clear goal is to enhance public safety funding, align transportation with community needs, and tackle homelessness effectively, all while maintaining fiscal responsibility. As an active community member, I'll bring balanced representation to the Commission, communicating objectives openly to build trust. I humbly ask for your vote to leverage my expertise and dedication, ensuring a stronger, fairer Clark County where our government works for all.

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Commissioner, District No. 4, Position No. 1



#### **Cole Horning**

Elected Experience No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience Court Operations Associate - Oregon Judicial Department; Fiscal Clerk -Department of Human Services; Author/ Contributor to Exploitation and Criminalization at the Margins criminal justice essay collection.

Education M.S. Justice Studies - Western Oregon University; B.A. Public Policy and Administration - Western Oregon University. Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society member.

Community Service Volunteer Special Needs Counselor - MESD Outdoor School; Former President of the All Votes Heard Club -Gresham High School

**Statement** I pledge to guarantee the right to accessible citizen initiative and referendum, maintain balance of power and accountability across all branches of government, and uphold the integrity of the Charter Review Commission through the entirety of my term. The Clark County Charter establishes the baseline set of rules that governs how the people will be represented in their local government, and I believe it is critically important to enshrine and protect the people's voice at all levels of government. The Charter Review provides a unique opportunity to bring the power of government into the hands of the citizenry, and I intend to use this opportunity to guarantee a representative democracy that address the needs of all constituents within Clark County.

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#### **Dorothy Gasque**

**Elected Experience** Clark County Charter Review Commissioner, Veterans Caucus Vice Chair, PCO, National Delegate, PTA Treasurer

Other Professional Experience Data Engineering and Analytics Professional, Campaign Consultant, SGT US Army (Iraq War Veteran)

Education B.S. Mathematics-Portland State. Data Science-Bloomtech

**Community Service** Director for a non-profit helping young mothers ages 18-24 become financially independent, Veterans Organizations, VFW, Fish Food Bank, Boys and Girls Club, PTA, Voter Outreach and Education

Statement After completing my military service, I chose Clark County as my home because of its natural beauty and affordability. While the landscape is still stunning, affordability is becoming a challenge. We need a county government that is accessible, responsive, and focused on the people it serves. Good governance starts at the local level, where the impact on daily life is most direct.

In 2020, I was elected to the County Charter Review Commission to help ensure our local government operates with fairness and integrity. I ran on a platform to reduce partisanship in county elections and to strengthen ethics rules that prevent the misuse of public office. Thanks to the commission's work and the will of the voters, Clark County adopted strong new ethics rules in 2021. Unfortunately, the county council has struggled to implement those reforms fully, undermining public trust and accountability. These new provisions need refining to help the council implement them more effectively.

Clark County deserves a government that works for everyone. With thoughtful updates to the charter, we can strengthen the foundation for transparency, accountability, and civic engagement. I respectfully ask for your vote to continue building a better, more responsive Clark County together.

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#### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 4, Position No. 2



#### Janna Meyer

Elected Experience Local 18th Legislative District Chair and Executive Board Member; 3 term Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience ISO9001/AS9100 certified Aerospace Internal Auditor; Federal regulatory/ compliance experience; Fortune 500 Telecom/Technology Program Management

Education Master of Science, Organizational Psychology - Capella University; Master of Business Administration – Arizona State University.

Community Service Lacamas Lake Clean Up; Camas Parks Foundation - Camas Cemetery Clean Up.

**Statement** Since moving to Clark County in 2014, I've called both Camas and Hockinson home, immersing myself in our community's vibrant spirit. With nearly a decade of dedicated involvement, I've worked tirelessly on local issues, earning trust by bridging diverse perspectives and focusing on shared goals to unite our county.

I'm committed to representing every resident, ensuring your voice shapes our Home Rule Charter. My priorities are clear: secure funding for public safety and emergency services to address rising crime, balance development with sustainability to protect our schools, infrastructure, and farmlands, defend property rights while curbing excessive tax increases, and empower self-determination to preserve community control. I'll advocate for responsible zoning and fact-driven transportation solutions with a long-term vision.

My proven experience and clear communication drive my commitment to Clark County's future. I respectfully ask for your vote to deliver a safer, stronger, and more inclusive county for all.

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Commissioner, District No. 4, Position No. 3



#### **Brad Witteman**

Elected Experience My commitment to service and unwavering integrity enabled me to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, and lead 9 startups as an executive, the last two in Clark County.

#### Other Professional Experience

Leading venture-backed startups honed my ability to navigate chaos, strategize solutions, and achieve them - essential qualities for this position.

Education MBA, MA in International Policy Studies, and BA from Middlebury Institute of International Studies.

Community Service For over a decade I've contributed to community betterment in Clark County, improving water quality at Salmon Creek Watershed Council, and establishing the Portland metro area as an Internet technology hub with Portland State University's Business School.

**Statement** The Clark County Charter Review Commissioners are entrusted with shaping our county's foundational document, and proposing amendments to improve how our community is run.

My 30-plus-year career has included extensive experience in authoring, reviewing, and modifying critical governance documents for corporations; a skillset directly applicable to this vital role. As a seasoned executive who has led venture-backed startups in creating and launching innovative technologies, I bring a unique blend of proven integrity, strategic vision, and hands-on execution.

I'm adept at listening to diverse opinions, distilling them into actionable solutions, and meticulously documenting the proposed activities. My ability to navigate complex environments, drive consensus among colleagues, and incorporate external information I believe will help ensure the smooth operation of the commission with the goal of delivering an improved County Charter.

Having actively contributed to the Salmon Creek Watershed Council and Portland State University's Business School, I am deeply committed to our community's betterment. I am ready to serve, ensuring our Charter truly reflects and empowers you, its residents. I humbly ask for your vote.

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### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 4, Position No. 3



#### Morgan Holmgren

**Elected Experience** Precinct Committee Officer since 2020

#### Other Professional Experience

Ten years as a researcher and data analyst in education and community affairs with experience working on community engagement and feedback. Research and Evaluation Manager -United Way of the Columbia-Willamette;

Research Advisor - Education Northwest; Data Analyst and Statistician - Colorado Department of Education.

Education M.A. Political Science - University of Colorado Boulder: B.A. Political Science - Western Washington University.

Community Service 2021 Clark County Redistricting Committee

Statement I am seeking to serve on the Charter Review Commission to serve our community effectively. I want to prioritize three values on the commission: Public Involvement, Representation, and Accountability. The Commission and the county should give people ways to engage in our political process that are effective and meaningful. The whole public should have their voices represented by the government. County and Commission decisions should be accountable to the public by making the responsibility of decisions clear and providing methods for addressing mistakes. If you choose to elect me as a Charter Review Commissioner, I will bring these values to the role.

I will bring my experience collecting and engaging with communities to the charter commission. My experience serving on the 2021 Redistricting Committee gave me insight into the shortcomings of that part of the charter. I am motivated to improve how redistricting is done for the county council districts.

I ask for your vote because I will work to improve the Clark County Charter and our community.

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Commissioner, District No. 4, Position No. 3



#### Kirk VanGelder

**Elected Experience** Current Precinct Committee Officer; Neighborhood Association Council of Clark County -Vice President/Treasurer since 2022; Technology Educators of Oregon -President 2017 - 2024

Other Professional Experience 30+ year Automotive Technology Instructor - Cascadia Technical Academy

and Clark College. Textbook author and e-learning content developer of one of the top three Auto Tech curriculums in the world since 2010.

Education AAS with Honors Automotive Technology – Clark College and AAS with Honors Auto Body Collision Repair - Clark College

Community Service Proebstel Neighborhood Association -President; Neighborhood Association Council of Clark County - Vice President/Treasurer; Fern Prairie Grange - President

Statement As a lifelong Clark County resident, I understand our community's pressing concerns - rising costs, misallocated transportation priorities, and policies misaligned with residents' values. Unlike other candidates in Position 3, I firmly oppose Light Rail—a position shared by the vast majority of voters. I've testified extensively against it, frustrated by elected officials who disregard the public's will.

Having co-authored four successful opposition statements to recent Charter Review Amendments, I've proven my commitment to grassroots advocacy and my alignment with the voters' priorities. On the Charter Review Commission, I'll advocate for amendments that reflect our community's voice, ensuring safer neighborhoods, smarter transportation solutions, and fiscal responsibility that benefits all.

My background as a Career and Technology Education Instructor and president of multiple organizations equips me to collaborate with other Commission members to propose amendments that strengthen our Charter. Having authored a series of top-selling College and Highschool Automotive textbooks equips me to research complex issues and clearly communicate solutions. With a track record of community-focused leadership, I'll work to make Clark County safer, more prosperous, and livable.

I humbly ask for your vote to deliver accountable, common-sense governance for all residents, including my 19 grandkids!

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Commissioner, District No. 5, Position No. 1



### **John Zingale**

Elected Experience NCCE, WSCSS, & OCSS board member and building union representative

Other Professional Experience Middle school history teacher for 13+ years. Earned state & national awards, including Washington State History TOY & Sons of the American Revolution National Middle School History TOY.

Before teaching I spent 16 years in grocery retail. I started bagging groceries and eventually became an asst. store director. Currently serving on the Clark County Historic Preservation Commission.

Education Master's in Teaching (University of Portland), Bachelor's in History (Northern Illinois University)

Community Service Clark County Food Bank volunteer, classroom partner with the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, and National History Day Regional Co-coordinator.

**Statement** I'm running for the Clark County Charter Commission because I believe in public service. For the last 13+ years I've been dedicated to serving our community and teaching middle schoolers about U.S. and Washington State history. In class we talk about the ideals our country was founded on, how to learn from our past, and how to be active citizens for our community.

Clark County is home, and I want to ensure that we are set up for success now, and for generations. Everyday, I hear what matters to my students and their families, and I will continue to listen as the community I serve grows. I want to represent you and bring your suggestions to the table.

I've heard that small businesses need to grow our economy alongside the local farms that grow our food. I've heard that we need to balance responsible housing growth while preserving the natural beauty around us. And, I've heard that we need to provide greater transparency to redistricting while also improving county safety and communication.

When elected, I'll bring an innovative mindset, a collaborative spirit, and a tireless work ethic to my time on the commission. I hope to earn your vote.

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### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 5, Position No. 1



#### **Brad Benton**

Elected Experience Candidate for WA State 18LD Senate & Representative; Elected Precinct Committee Officer; Delegate 2024 Washington State Convention; Council President - KWCS.

Other Professional Experience Congressional Staff, Congresswomen Cathy McMorris Rodgers, WA 5th District; Senior Sales Consultant,

UniFirst; Auditor, Moss Adams; Foreman, Affordable Ponds; Assistant Activities Director, Bonaventure Senior Living.

Education Bachelor of Arts, Double Major: Accounting, Political Science - Whitworth University-Spokane, WA

Community Service Sports Coach & volunteer - King's Way HS Football Program; Summer Camp for Children with Disabilities -Volunteer; Vancouver Church – Member; Eagle Scout Rank - Boy Scouts of America.

**Statement** As a lifelong Clark County resident, I've devoted my life to public service, and I'm eager to strengthen our Home Rule Charter as your Charter Review Commissioner. I'll advocate for Charter amendments to enhance transparency, accountability, and local control, ensuring our government serves every citizen. That is why I will propose an amendment that requires a two-thirds majority vote of the County Council to increase taxes or create new ones. I oppose tolls and lightrail, instead supporting practical transportation solutions that meet our diverse needs while protecting tax dollars. Most urgently, I'll prioritize public safety, securing proper funding and support for law enforcement to protect our communities.

I will approach the issues we face in a non-partisan way. With a collaborative, inclusive approach, I'll unite diverse perspectives to achieve the best outcomes for all Clark County residents. My extensive community involvement and professional experience equips me to lead thoughtfully, building on what works in our Charter while addressing the areas that need improvement. My commitment is to serve you, so please contact me with your input. I humbly ask for your vote so that I can continue my service on the Charter Review Commission.

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Commissioner, District No. 5, Position No. 2



### **Hattie Stigum Larionov**

**Elected Experience** No Previous **Elected Experience** 

Other Professional Experience Nonprofit Program Manager - PEACE NW (People Empowered And Communities Enhanced)

**Education** Clark College

Community Service Citizens for Ridgefield Schools, Special Olympics, People First of Washington,

Statement As a lifelong Clark County resident and Ridgefield community member for the past nine years, I am committed to bringing collaborative, forward-thinking leadership to the Clark County Charter Review Commission. I moved from the corporate to nonprofit sector 9 years ago and am currently the Clark County Parent Coalition Program Manager at PEACE NW, I work daily to support individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families by navigating complex bureaucratic systems, advocating, empowering, and educating the community that accessibility is more than a wheelchair ramp. My work has deepened my understanding of the challenges residents face and the need for accessible, equitable systems. Ridgefield currently lacks direct representation at both county and state levelssomething I aim to change. I bring an innovative perspective and a strong belief in transparent governance that leads with integrity. I'm ready to listen, engage, and serve.

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### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 5, Position No. 2



#### **Duncan Hoss**

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience Deputy Sheriff for the Clark County Sheriff's Office 33 years. Currently serving as the Chief Civil Deputy. Parttime adjunct instructor for Portland Community College.

**Education** Masters in Management

and Leadership, Western Governor University; Bachelor of Arts Criminal Justice, Aspen University.

Community Service No Information Submitted

**Statement** Every five years, residents of Clark County are given the important opportunity to elect 15 representatives tasked with reviewing and recommending updates to the Clark County Charter. I am seeking your support to be part of this vital process.

My goal is to bring a spirit of collaboration and a strong commitment to fiscal responsibility to the Charter Review Commission. I will work diligently to identify opportunities for greater efficiency in county government, support effective programs that serve our community well, and carefully examine areas where taxpayer dollars may be wasted.

I have spent the majority of my life in Clark County, where I attended public schools through high school and developed a deep appreciation for our community. For over 30 years, I have had the privilege of serving the citizens of Clark County in various capacities. During this time, I have witnessed firsthand the rapid growth and transformation of our region.

With this experience and dedication, I am ready to contribute thoughtfully and constructively to the charter review process, ensuring that our county government continues to serve the public effectively and responsibly.

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#### Randi L. Knott

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience

After 25 years in local government, I will use my knowledge and experience to serve the people of Clark County. Currently an appointee of the County Council to the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board and

previously a Governor's appointee to the CA State Council on Developmental Disabilities. I retired as the Government Affairs Director for the City of Sacramento in 2017 after working for cities all over the West Coast. Now I have a horse ranch providing Equine Therapy for Neurodiverse youth.

**Education** Masters in Public Policy/Administration from USC and a BA in Political Science from CSU, Northridge

Community Service Board Member, Joint4ces

**Statement** Clark County stands at a pivotal point in its development. With rapid growth and evolving demographics, it is imperative that our Charter reflect the current and future needs of our community. I believe that my 25 years in and around state and local government and my dedication to public service equip me to contribute meaningfully to this review process. Currently an appointee of the County Council to the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board, I want to continue to serve wherever the need develops. I am committed to ensuring that Clark County's Home Rule Charter evolves to meet the needs of our evolving community. By advocating for transparency, accountability and inclusive government, I aim to strengthen the foundation of our local government and to empower the voices of residents and businesses. I believe in strengthening citizen participation by promoting policies that reflect the community's needs and vision. I have served as staff for several charter city updates during my career and look forward to utilizing my knowledge and experience to serve the needs of Clark County now and in years to come.

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### Clark County Charter Review

Commissioner, District No. 5, Position No. 3



#### Peter Silliman

**Elected Experience** Precinct Committee Officer and Legislative District Coordinator; Elected by the voters to original Charter Freeholder Board in 2015.

#### Other Professional Experience

Telecommunications Senior Engineer for 22 years until 2015. Policy Analyst for the Board of Clark County Councilors

from 2015 to 2017. I am a small business owner, providing expertise to local communications companies since 2018.

**Education** No Information Submitted

**Community Service** I served in Toastmasters to help people improve their communications skills for 10 years. I founded Torah Tree of Life Ministries to teach biblical principles. I am the Executive Director of Conservative Leadership SWWA. Which provides information and training to voters and candidates.

Statement As a 55-year Clark County resident raised in La Center, I'm deeply committed to our community's needs and values. I believe our government must answer to voters, and I'll champion Charter amendments to shield against property tax hikes, secure robust funding for law enforcement, and streamline the initiative process for greater citizen access. My service on boards and in the County Councilor's office, where I assisted residents with diverse concerns, equips me to represent every voice. I'll prioritize transparency and fairness, uniting our community to strengthen Clark County's future.

My professional collaboration with varied groups shapes my clear goals: bolster public safety, reduce tax burdens, and empower residents through accessible governance. Drawing on my advocacy for fiscal responsibility and practical solutions, I'll focus on policies that serve all. My proven community leadership drives my commitment to an accountable, responsive government. I humbly ask for your vote to enhance our Charter, ensuring it reflects the needs of every Clark County resident for a safer, more inclusive future.

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#### Council, Position No. 1



#### **Troy McCoy**

**Elected Experience** Battle Ground City Council since 2021, currently serving as mayor; Battle Ground School Board Director 2017-2021, served as president for 2 years.

#### Other Professional Experience

Owner of a small business in Battle Ground for 20 years; Currently serving on C-Tran board, Regional Transportation

Council, ethics and review committee on behalf of council; Formerly an Account Manager for Buckman Speciality Chemicals.

Education Chemical Engineering BS, Oregon State University

Community Service Battle Ground Education Foundation, board member and volunteer; Volunteer for the Battle Ground Seniors; Battle Ground Community Education -previous volunteer basketball and softball coach.

Statement Thank you for your past support and encouragement. It has been my honor to serve our city as mayor for these past 2 years. We have some big decisions facing our city over the coming years. I hear and pledge to act on our citizens' requests for a pool and athletic fields, continue our investments in our parks, maintain our public safety and increase funding towards roads in serious need of repair.

I look forward to continuing to serve on your behalf and hope to earn your vote.

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Council, Position No. 4



### Jeanie Kuypers

**Elected Experience** Unanimously appointed to current City Council Position 4, Feb, 2025

Other Professional Experience Retired business and product development professional with experience in strategic planning, business-critical project management, and corporate real estate. Former small business partner.

Education Bachelor's Degree Business Administration, Master of Corporate Real Estate, Washington State Real Estate License (Inactive) and Battle Ground University 2024.

**Community Service** Formerly served on the Board of Directors for Clarkston Washington Hospital Foundation, School District Education Foundation and Young Life. Currently serving in Women's Ministry and Love Battle Ground community projects for Northwest Gospel Church Battle Ground.

**Statement** I'm grateful to have recently been selected for this position, and now I'm ready and committed to continue serving you for the next four years and work to retain the "family and friends" community atmosphere we all appreciate.

With Faith, Family, Honesty, Integrity, Kindness and Respect toward all people as my guiding principles, I also bring three decades of proven leadership experience to the position, including successfully managing multi-million-dollar corporate projects, championing workforce development, and growing a small business. I'll provide thoughtful, fiscally responsible, direction to manage growth, and my priorities are for a community where all individuals can thrive.

I support law enforcement funding to ensure community safety; downtown revitalization with improved parking; zoning to attract local employment while preserving our unique small-town character; and creating and improving recreational amenities such as a public pool, athletic fields, and parks/walking trails.

Our City has initiated many positive changes in the past few years, yet here's more work to be done. This election is about choosing representatives who are forward-looking and will collaborate for positive results. So I ask for your support and thank you for the opportunity to represent you.

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### City of Battle Ground

Council, Position No. 4



### Philip L. Johnson

**Elected Experience** Battle Ground City Council 2012-2024, Mayor 2016-2017 & 2022-2023.

Other Professional Experience Small business owner; 2004-Present; US Army Retired; 1979-2004.

Education Bachelor of Arts, Western Illinois University, Macomb, Illinois; Asheville High School, Asheville, North Carolina.

**Community Service** Battle Ground Seniors

Statement With twelve years of experience in city government, including two successful terms as mayor, I am dedicated to making our city safer, stronger, better. I'm concentrating on improving public safety, ensuring our neighborhoods are thriving and distinct, and investing in infrastructure improvements that improve our quality of life and provide for future economic growth, all while respecting your tax dollar.

I believe in an innovative government, addressing challenges before they become critical, and listening to our residents to find solutions that work for all of us. From strengthening emergency response to upgrading our roads, water, and sewer systems, I will support projects that serve our community today and prepare us for the future.

I'm ready to get back to work as your city council representative. With proven leadership, a commitment to transparency, and respect for our neighbors, I will advocate for responsible policies that prioritize safety, innovation, and community success.

Together, we can build a better functioning and thriving city where families feel secure, our businesses grow and prosper, and every resident is proud to say, "I'm from Battle Ground." I ask for your support as we work towards a better Battle Ground. Thank you.

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#### Council, Position No. 5



#### Aimee Vaile

Elected Experience Clark County Precinct Committee Officer (R) - Battle Ground; Partners in Education - Battle Ground, Secretary; CCRP, Officer/ Executive Secretary; Washington State 18th Legislative District Caucus (R), Secretary

Other Professional Experience Lead Washington State Ambassador,

OurRescue (formally Operation Underground Railroad); Administrator, Boeing; Regional Vault Teller; Child Educator, Sonrise HS Cooperative; Author

**Education** Criminology/Criminal Justice, Everett Community College; Koinonia Institute, General Studies; Certification of Coaching, USA Football

Community Service Climate Pledge Advisory Team, Battle Ground, Team Parent/Volunteer, Battle Ground Little League; Football Coach, Clark County Youth Football; Parent Volunteer, Battle Ground Schools; Donation Procurement, Community Food Banks; Trash Cleanup, Kiwanis Park; Member/Volunteer, Vista Community Church.

**Statement** As a lifelong Washingtonian and the daughter of a U.S. Army veteran, I was raised to value integrity, hard work, and service. My husband and I have had the privilege of raising our children here in Battle Ground, where five have graduated through the Battle Ground School District. I treasure our small-town charm - Friday night Tigers football, strolling past Main Street's locally owned shops, and enjoying the strong sense of community that makes this city our home - but the Battle Ground I love is changing.

I no longer feel safe riding my bike along busy roadways or leaving my vehicle unlocked. Our roads are congested, schools are stretched thin, and utilities are overburdened - not just because of development, but because of poor planning and misplaced priorities.

I'm running for City Council because I want to help preserve our rural roots and unique character, helping to guide our beloved city with transparency and fiscal accountability. I bring a strong voice for responsible growth, traffic safety improvements, small business/ commercial development, nature trails, and recreational activities. Let's restore trust, preserve our hometown identity, and plan wisely for the future.

Read my extensive list of endorsements and learn more at www.electaimeevaile.com.

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### City of Battle Ground

Council, Position No. 5



#### John G Idsinga

**Elected Experience** Battle Ground City Council 1996-2006, Battle Ground Mayor 2000-2006, Battle Ground School Board 2009-2013 Board chair 2012-2013, Cresa administrative board 2004-2007, Clark regional wastewater board, 1999-2006. Planning commission 2020-present.

Other Professional Experience small business owner for over 30 years.

**Education** No Information Submitted

Community Service Volunteer/board member North County Community Food Bank, Volunteer/board member Camp Hope, Volunteer/Chair Christmas Basket food drive program, Founding member of Battle Ground Festival Association (harvest days, cruise in, ect.).

Statement I have been a proud resident of the Battle Ground community for more than 45 years and I am deeply invested in its well being. My commitment to our city is demonstrated through my current service on planning commission and my past roles in our community.

Throughout my years of service, I have worked diligently to ensure Battle Ground remains a wonderful place to live, work, shop and enjoy. Looking ahead, I will continue to prioritize key areas such as economic development, parks and recreation, transportation infrastructure, essential utilities, and public safety. I recognize that growth is a reality for our community, and I believe it is crucial that we manage this growth responsibly to secure a prosperous future for all.

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Council, Position No. 6



#### **Brian Munson**

Elected Experience Battle Ground City Council from July 2018 to December of 2022

Other Professional Experience BNSF Railway from 1998 to present, Chief Electrical Operator

**Education** Graduate from Fort Vancouver High School 1992; Clark College from 2010 to 2013.

Community Service No Information Submitted

Statement As a dedicated Battle Ground resident, father, and former City Council member, I have consistently fought for responsible governance and fiscal accountability. I believe leadership should remain transparent and focused on serving the community, which is why I advocated for term limits to prevent political entrenchment. I have opposed excessive tax increases that unfairly burden residents. When the Fire District 3 annexation was proposed, I spoke out unsuccessfully against the plan to retain the city's share of property taxes. The council ultimately decided on an approach that, in some cases, doubled property taxes for citizens. Protecting taxpayers remains a priority for me.

I have consistently challenged the sharp increase in City Council compensation—rising from approximately \$300 per month to nearly \$3,000 per month over the past nine years. Public service should be rooted in dedication to the community, not financial gain. Establishing a salary commission to evaluate benefits annually only reinforces the trend of excessive spending. Battle Ground deserves leaders who are fiscally responsible, transparent, and focused on the needs of residents. I am committed to ensuring our local government remains accountable and prioritizes the wellbeing and prosperity of the people it serves.

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### City of Battle Ground

Council, Position No. 6



#### Cherish DesRochers

Elected Experience Battle Ground City Council (2016-Present); Past Deputy Mayor; Chair, LEOFF 1 Disability Board; Member, Ethics Committee; Member, Budget Committee; Past Member, Urban County Policy Board (Vice Chair, 2019); Former board member, ECHO (Ending **Community Homelessness** Organization). Participated in The Housing Action Plan Advisory

Committee and BGHS AFJROTC Advisory Committee.

Other Professional Experience 15 years with C-TRAN in Customer

**Education** Battle Ground Public Schools: Certificate and Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership. Association of Washington Cities.

Community Service Founder and President of Food with Friends; Trustee, Battle Ground Education Foundation; Member, Clark County Emergency Response Team (CERT); Former member, Battle Ground Planning Commission (2015-2016).

**Statement** Battle Ground has been my home since 1990. I love this city, its people, its values, and its future. It's been my honor to serve you on City Council, where I've worked hard to deliver results that reflect our shared priorities.

I'm proud of what we've accomplished: fully funding our police, reducing city debt, improving roads, and launching the Utility Rate Reduction Program for Low-Income Seniors—making essential services more affordable for those who need it most.

I've championed thoughtful, transparent governance and efforts to preserve our small-town character. I'm especially excited about the ongoing revitalization of Old Town, where we're supporting local businesses, investing in infrastructure, and creating spaces that bring our community together.

With your continued support, I will remain focused on smart, sustainable growth, public safety, economic opportunity, and fiscal responsibility—while keeping taxes low and services strong. We need leaders with experience, heart, and vision. I humbly ask for your vote so we can continue living in a City we're all proud to call home.

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Council, Ward 1, Position No. 2



### **Marilyn Boerke**

Elected Experience Camas City Council Member, Committee Chair; Downtown Camas Association President; AWSP Western Washington Leader, NASSP Liaison; Camas Washougal Community Chest Vice President, President; NASSP Western USA Leader, National Board; WA-ACTE Guidance Leader; WSPA Regional Leader

Other Professional Experience AWSP Western Washington Associate Principal and Principal of Year; WA-ACTE Career Specialist and New Teacher of Year; ACTE National Teacher of Year Finalist

**Education** City University: Ed.D (ABD), M.Ed. Leadership. Presidential Honors: CWU B.S., Honors

Community Service Downtown Camas Association Board Member, President; Camas Washougal Community Chest President, Board Member; Camas Education Foundation Volunteer, Camas Washougal Rotary, Partner in Service; Girl Scouts of America, Scout/Leader

Statement I'm running for re-election as a 35-year resident with a steady hand in challenging times. I listen to and learn from residents and lead with purpose. I model and foster civility, believing how we govern is as important as what we decide.

Camas can continue to evolve as a city where businesses flourish, art and culture thrive, and people of all backgrounds feel welcome. Housing and job opportunities must be central to our plan. My vision is that young families can afford to live, work, and grow here. We need smart, balanced development, homes that people can afford, and jobs that match their skills and dreams.

Our waterfront is full of possibilities. Strategic vision and careful planning will shape it into a vibrant public space that reflects who we are and aspire to be—connected and thriving.

I've demonstrated strong leadership throughout my career in the Camas School District and as your City Councilor. Despite the recent survey showing satisfaction with city services, I think we can do better with communication and critical decisions. My commitment remains building not just a better city, but a stronger, more united community. I ask for your continued trust and your vote.

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# City of Camas

Council, Ward 1, Position No. 2



#### Geoerl W. Niles

**Elected Experience** Camas Planning Commission since 2019-current (Vice Chair); Camas Parking Committee 2014-2019; Camas Design Review Committee 2021-2024

### Other Professional Experience Sr. Pastor Dwelling Place; Former Human

Resources Manager and Event/ Restaurant Manger, Portland Spirit

**Education** Ordination with Global University/Ascend International; Business degree Irwin Technical College

Community Service Director - Ascend International Ministries; Secretary - Celebrate Hope Ministries Uganda; Member - Bethel Leaders Network; Local Artist

Statement As a longtime resident and active community member, I am committed to preserving the values that make Camas a great place to live and raise a family. My experience as Vice Chair of the Camas Planning Commission, along with my work in various community roles, has shown me that we can maintain Camas' small-town charm while addressing the needs of our growing community. People, not politics. Let's work together to keep Camas the best place to live.

Public safety is a top priority for me. I will work to ensure that our police and fire departments are adequately supported to keep our streets safe and our community protected.

Keeping fees and taxes low is essential for preserving the affordability of living in Camas. I will advocate for policies that minimize the financial burden on residents and ensure that city services remain efficient and cost-effective.

Lastly, I believe in keeping Camas, Camas. We must protect the small-town feel that makes Camas special while managing growth in a way that avoids the challenges of big-city living.

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### City of Camas

Council, Ward 2, Position No. 1



### **Martin Elzingre**

Elected Experience Appointed to Camas City Council serving Ward 2 in April 2025

Other Professional Experience I currently work in the high-tech field managing a team of sales and service professionals. I am trained in, and responsible for strategic planning, budgeting and project management. I

have held positions of increasing responsibility at fortune 500 companies throughout my career

**Education** Bachelor of Science degree in business from UOP. Continuing education in diversity and inclusion, managing conflict and negotiation

**Community Service** Volunteer coaching and team management. Northwest association for blind athletes guide. Company organizer for charitable events.

**Statement** Camas is a great place to live with great schools, a fantastic downtown and beautiful lakes. I stand for honoring the quality of our life here even as the city grows. I am working to maintain our beautiful downtown and many recreational activities. I will continue to work to improve the health of our lakes, maintain low taxes and control spending.

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### City of Camas

Council, Ward 2, Position No. 2



### **Timothy Hein**

**Elected Experience** Currently in the 4th year of my first term on the Camas City Council. As a City Council member, Serve on the C-TRAN Board representing Camas, Camas Finance Committee and Liaison to the Camas Parks Commission.

Other Professional Experience 6 years as an active-duty Army officer and 30 years in sales and executive

leadership positions in a variety of medical device companies.

Education Bachelor of Science: United States Military Academy-West Point, New York; Master of Business Administration: Pacific Lutheran University-Puyallup, Washington.

Community Service City of Camas Planning Commission for 17 years. Camas Education Foundation and the Camas School District Superintendent's budget committee.

**Statement** My family and I have been active members of Camas since 1999. I am currently in the 4th year of my first term on the Camas City Council. As a City Council Member, I serve on the C-TRAN Board representing Camas, the City of Camas Finance Committee, and as the Liaison to the Camas Parks Commission.

My professional experience includes 6 years as an active-duty Army officer and 30 years in sales and executive leadership in a variety of medical device companies. I believe, and have demonstrated, that effective leadership and communication can achieve positive results.

I am running for re-election because I believe in Camas. This means preserving our history, while planning for our future by fulfilling our vision and strategic priorities as a city. This includes thoughtful economic and land-use planning, the maintenance of our city assets, and fiscal accountability to taxpayers.

I believe these goals can be achieved through extensive community communication and engagement. Ultimately, this builds trust, which is the foundational element for continued growth and development in our community.

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### City of Camas

Council, Ward 3, Position No. 2



### Mahsa Eshghi

Elected Experience No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience As an engineer, I've spent my career

delivering complex projects— on time and budget — in our region. I understand how cities work: how to manage taxpayer dollars responsibly, solve problems practically, and

collaboratively. And, as a family downtown business owner, I champion building a resilient local economy. Roles: Civil Engineering Manager, Port of Portland; Transportation Manager, MacKay Sposito; Associate Civil Engineer, Vancouver.

**Education** MS. Civil. Traffic. and Environmental Engineering. Portland State University: Licensed Professional Engineer: BS. Civil Engineering.

Community Service Camas Planning Commission, North Shore Subarea Advisory, Grand Ridge HOA treasurer, Woman with Vision award, K-12 STEM and Career Technical Education volunteer.

Statement For 18 years, the natural beauty, strong values, and warm community have been home to my family, where our kids benefit from public school. We have seen much growth— more than our emergency services, utilities, and streets can handle. So, I'm running for City Council to protect what makes Camas special while ensuring we grow thoughtfully without sacrificing the public services, natural resources, and economic opportunities we need to thrive.

As an engineer and planning commissioner, I use innovative, practical, and results—driven approaches to get the job done. As your Councilor, I'll bring that experience to collaborate and address the challenges we face—housing shortage, school enrollment, overtaxed infrastructure, and long-term economic stability.

My vision for Camas is sustainability—strong economy, good governance, and quality of life. It's one where natural green spaces, vibrant neighborhoods, and thriving businesses connect and promote a healthy and united community.

I believe in practical leadership, not political games. I believe in listening, not dividing. Camas deserves council members who say "yes" to realistic solutions— not "no" to progress. Count on me for practical leadership, community engagement, and commitment to finding solutions. Thank you for your vote.

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### City of Camas

Council, Ward 3, Position No. 2



#### Leslie Lewallen

Elected Experience Current Camas City Councilor, Ward 3, Position 2

Other Professional Experience Prosecuting Attorney, King County, Washington; Judicial Clerk, Washington State Supreme Court; Judicial Clerk, Wisconsin Supreme Court; Law Clerk, Washington State Attorney General's Office. I retired from the practice of law to raise my four children.

Education Juris Doctorate, Seattle University School of Law; Bachelor of Arts Degree, Political Science, University of Washington

Community Service City of Camas/Camas School District Committee, Representative; Camas-Washougal Chamber of Commerce, Representative; Homelessness Strategy Committee, Representative; City of Camas Planning Commission, Liaison; Regional Transportation Council, Liaison; Camas-Washougal Rotary, Member

Statement I believe that Camasonians deserve to be meaningfully heard and actively participate with transparent and effective City leadership. During my term, I have shown City Hall there is a better way to lead our community. I stood up for greater transparency in City decisions, challenged wasteful spending, and fought against tax and fee increases to ensure Camas can be more affordable for everyone.

As a retired attorney, former business owner, wife and mother of four, I'm dedicated to protecting our incredible community for future generations. I have authored key resolutions like Camas' unanimous opposition to light rail on the I-5 bridge, and key ordinances like our stringent camping law that protects Camasonians while helping homeless get the help they need.

I am a champion of transparent two-way communication between government and citizens, and never forget that I work for and answer to the citizens of Camas - not consultants or outside interests. My priorities remain clear: protect public safety, support sustainable growth, and ensure government accountability.

Now is the time to re-elect transparent, accountable and effective leadership that honestly represents the citizens and needs of our community. Camas Deserves Better, and I intend to keep delivering for all Camasonians.

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# City of La Center

Council, Position No. 1



#### **Louis Rivara**

**Elected Experience** Multiple Listing Director, CCAR.

Other Professional Experience Elementary, Middle, and High School teaching experience. Public and private schools. Extensive real estate experience. Once Licensed Broker in 7 states.

Education Bachelor of Arts, UC Santa Barbara. Elementary and Secondary

Teaching Credentials, CSULB. Double major.

Community Service Supported and helped fund a 20,000 square foot community arts center with a 236-seat theater, 2,000 square foot Fine Arts Gallery, 1,800 square feet of Classrooms, plus Lobby and Offices. Counselor for over 10 years to individuals experiencing difficult life transitions. Cooked and served meals at regional food kitchen. Civil Service Commissioner, City of Martinez, CA. Kiwanis. Habitat for Humanity.

**Statement** My wife and I have lived in La Center for 2.5 years. We moved here because we have family in Woodland and Camas. We chose La Center because of its small town, community atmosphere. Since our move, we have experienced the kindness of people in our everyday lives. We feel fortunate to live here.

La Center will be making important decisions about its direction in the next few years. Downtown 2.0 and Timmons Landing are two significant projects that are contemplated. Also, it is likely we will see business development near the Interstate-5 junction. Therefore, progress in town and at the edge of town must be done in a planned and thoughtful manner that respects the character of La Center.

I would like to see more community activities, programs, art, and small businesses for those that live here, so we don't need to drive to surrounding communities as often. Though several candidates are running unopposed, I believe the right to vote is a significant way we preserve our quality of life for our children and future generations. Be an example, get involved and be committed to casting your vote this year! Thank you.

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### City of La Center

Council, Position No. 2

# No Photo Submitted

### **KC Kasberg**

Elected Experience No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience** No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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### City of La Center

Council, Position No. 3

No Photo Submitted

### Sean Boyle

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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# City of Ridgefield

Council, Position No. 1



### **Meghan Hamilton**

**Elected Experience** Appointed to Ridgefield City Council February 2025.

Other Professional Experience Owner & Founder, GLAMbeauty bar. Founder, Hadley Beauty Co makeup brush line. Co- Founder, Your Body Your Values clothing & merchandise line. Esthetician and Makeup Artist. Segment regular, AM NORTHWEST. Nordstom. W Hotels.

Education Ridgefield High School Class of 2001. Clark College. Seattle Central. Marinello School of Beauty.

Community Service Through GLAMbeauty bar, I've partnered with countless non-profits & charitable organizations over the last decade to support the community. Partners have included The Pink Lemonade Project, Dollar For, PAL, Compassion 360, NW Association of Blind Athletes, The Hough Foundation, The Humane Society, Share and more!

Statement Hi Ridgefield! I'm Meghan Hamilton, your newest City Council member, and I'm asking for your vote to continue the work I began in 2025.

Ridgefield is home. I moved here at age 9, graduated from Ridgefield High in 2001, and returned in 2013 to raise my daughter—now a View Ridge Middle School student. I'm committed to our schools, youth, and thoughtful, strategic growth.

As a small business owner and entrepreneur, I understand what it takes to build from the ground up—just like Ridgefield. Over the past decade, I've launched GLAMbeauty bar, Hadley Beauty Co., and Your Body Your Values. I'm passionate about supporting our business community, preserving our historic downtown, and forming smart partnerships that benefit us all.

I care deeply about civic engagement—especially among youth. Government should be accessible, transparent, and personal. I'm committed to bridging the gap between policy decisions and the people they affect. Empowering women and building strong, connected communities has always been part of my mission. I bring heart, thoughtfulness, and a deep love for Ridgefield to every decision I make. With your support, I'll keep listening, showing up, and working hard for our future. Let's keep building a Ridgefield we're proud to call home.

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### City of Ridgefield

Council, Position No. 4



#### Matt Cole

Elected Experience Ridgefield City Council, April 2022—Present; Mayor, January 2025—Present; Mayor Pro Tempore, September 2024 - January 2025

#### Other Professional Experience 15-year marketing executive; former small business owner; former policy analyst at the Washington State

Legislature; US Navy veteran

**Education** BA Political Science, Whitworth University; Leadership Clark County, Class of 2025

**Community Service** Urban County Policy Board, Ridgefield Main Street; Ridgefield Art Association; Little League coach; Union Ridge Elementary School volunteer; Ridgefield Planning Commission, 2021-2022; Ridgefield Budget Advisory Committee, 2021-2022; Board of Trustees, Clark County Mosquito Control District, 2020-2022

**Statement** It has been an honor to serve on City Council and as Ridgefield's Mayor. Having grown up in Clark County and making Ridgefield our home eight years ago, my family and I have experienced firsthand the incredible qualities that make this city exceptional.

In my time on City Council, Ridgefield has grown into one of Southwest Washington's most livable communities—attracting families, businesses, and local investment while preserving its character. My focus has been on smart growth, strengthening our community, and protecting what makes Ridgefield unique.

There's more to do. I plan to continue ensuring we stay on a responsible growth trajectory that improves our quality of life, more outreach and connection with our residents, ensuring parks and green spaces are accessible to everyone, and reinvigorating our historic downtown.

We are at a remarkable moment in Ridgefield's story. The decisions we make today will shape its next generation. I am excited about this community's vision for its city, and I am honored to play a role in helping shape it now, for the future. I am looking forward to what's ahead. Thank you for your vote. I am always grateful for your support.

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# City of Ridgefield

Council, Position No. 5



#### Katie Favela

**Elected Experience** Katie Favela is a bold and committed City Councilmember with a strong record of public service. She brings a thoughtful and experienced approach to local governance, grounded in her work on the Planning Commission. Katie is a committed advocate for responsible development, public safety, fiscal accountability, and transparent, community-driven decision-making.

Other Professional Experience Katie Favela is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker

**Education** MSW

**Community Service** Katie Favela has a long history of community service, including roles as a mental health partner with Ridgefield School District, member of multiple regional boards, and advocate for youth, public safety, homelessness prevention, and overall community well-being.

**Statement** My name is Katie Favela, and I am honored to serve on the Ridgefield City Council. With over a year of experience on the Council and prior service on the Planning Commission, I bring a foundation in public policy, land use, and community development. I currently represent the City as liaison to the Clark Cowlitz Fire Commission Board, supporting strong partnerships that keep our community safe. As the spouse of a first responder, I have a personal appreciation for the sacrifices and commitment of those who serve our community.

Professionally, I am a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and mental health partner with the Ridgefield School District. I have spent over a decade working with youth and families, with a focus on prevention, intervention, and system-level advocacy. I also serve on multiple regional and statewide boards addressing youth suicide prevention, child welfare, homelessness, and community well-being.

I am committed to transparent governance, responsible growth, and ensuring that Ridgefield's future is shaped by the values and vision of its residents. I respectfully ask for your support to continue serving our city with integrity, accountability, and a strong commitment to community-driven leadership.

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# City of Ridgefield

#### Council, Position No. 6



#### **Rian Davis**

Elected Experience 2024- Appointed to Ridgefield City Council; 2023- Elected Chair of Ridgefield Parks Board.

Other Professional Experience Middle School Teacher- U.S. History and English Language Arts; Teacher Advisory Council- National Constitution Center, Philadelphia PA; Former Public Affairs Director, Clark County Association of REALTORS.

**Education** Bachelor of Arts- Political Science. Central Washington University; Master of Arts-Teaching-Elementary Education, Western Governors University; Master of Science- Curriculum & Instruction. Western Governors University.

Community Service Ridgefield Parks Board, Clark County Mosquito Control Board, HOA Board, Ridgefield Little League, Spud City Mashers Baseball Club, Eagle Scout.

Statement As Ridgefield enters a new chapter, I would be honored to continue serving as your City Councilor. I love our city, and have been involved in our community since I moved here over 15 years ago. I am married to a third generation Spudder and parent to a fourth, providing me a unique perspective on the history of our community, while also working with intention on our next chapter.

As our community continues to grow, I will maintain my focus on retaining our small-town feel, maximizing opportunities to enjoy the natural environment, and ensuring high standards for services and amenities. Ridgefield is a city where everyone is welcome, and I will continue to champion inclusive playgrounds and accessibility across the city. I believe in flexible, safe, multi-modal transportation options, allowing vehicles to navigate efficiently while also providing safe routes for pedestrians and cyclists to enjoy Ridgefield. Cultivating a sense of community on the east side is a high priority for me, and I'll continue to advocate for opportunities that ensure that all of Ridgefield is a part of our next chapter, regardless of what part of our city you live in.

I appreciate your continued support!

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Mayor



#### Justin M. Forsman

Elected Experience Republican PCO (2020). President of the Broken Pole Fishing Hole 4 Wounded Veterans (2022). J.O.B.T.C. Boot Camp Command Leader (2003).

Other Professional Experience Telecommunications Provider, Small Business Owner (2018)

**Education** Network Engineering, Constitutional law scholar. Student of Economics. History major and Criminal Justice studies in Forensic Science, Crime scene Investigations, Crime Scene photography. Sanford Meisner training, Surface Mining certification, Construction and Business technology academy graduate at ESD112, Studied Essential oils, and Natural Medicine.

Community Service Political activist. Pro Life. Advocate against Glyphosate, forever chemicals, 5G technologies, and Water Fluoridation. 2nd Amendment Advocate. Successful Union campaign (2019). Committed to Honest and Accurate Elections. Local homeless community outreach.

Statement Vancouver needs a Mayor who will lead with courage, conviction, and common sense. I will fight for lower taxes, safer streets, and an economy that works for everyone. I will prioritize core city services, protect property rights, and support infrastructure projects that benefit the people.

Homelessness must be addressed. I will focus on reintegration, job opportunities, and programs that help individuals rebuild their lives. I will not support camping in neighborhoods or in front of businesses. Our public spaces must remain clean, safe, and accessible to all. I do not support sanctuary city policies that place the interests of outsiders above the needs of Vancouver residents.

I am firmly pro business, pro Second Amendment, and pro medical freedom. I will stand against mandates, defend individual rights, and fight for transparency and accountability in city leadership.

I will work to remove harmful substances like fluoride, glyphosate, and forever chemicals from our water supply, parks, and neighborhoods. Clean environments and honest government are nonnegotiable. I will also prioritize building a third bridge and replacing the aging I-5 bridge to serve commuters and businesses without forcing light rail on taxpayers. I am Justin Forsman and ready to serve as your next Mayor. -Blessings!

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### City of Vancouver

Mayor



#### **Anne McEnerny-Ogle**

Elected Experience Vancouver Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, Councilor. Police/Fire Pension Boards, Planning Commission, Affordable Housing Advisory, Regional Transportation Council, C-TRAN, Strategic Plan Oversight, Regional Disaster Preparedness Policy, I-5 Bridge Steering Group, and Community Benefits Advisory.

Other Professional Experience Public School Educator – 30 years. Association of Washington Cities Large City Representative/Bylaws Committee.

**Education** Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Education: Leadership Clark County: AWC Advanced Certified Municipal Leader.

**Community Service** Community Military Appreciation Committee; Assistance League; Rotary; Chamber of Commerce - Government & Public Affairs; Clark County Historical Society; Neighbors on Watch (Police); Fire Corps; Scouts (20 years); Uptown Village Association; League of Women Voters; Neighborhood Alliance; Shumway Neighborhood.

**Statement** It has been an honor and privilege to serve as your Vancouver City Mayor. I've worked hard to improve our quality of life by balancing the budget, enhancing public safety, creating living-wage jobs through diversified economic development, and maintaining our parks and services. We've accomplished a great deal, and I'm ready to continue the work that lies ahead.

Budgeting: We've saved millions by refinancing debt and secured hundreds of millions in federal and state grants for water, housing, transportation, and safety. Economic Development: I support policies that attract private investment, like the Heights District, expand apprenticeships to strengthen our workforce, and enhance resiliency. Public Safety: As a longtime police and fire volunteer, I support staffing and technology upgrades and helped advance our Washington Public Safety Academy. Affordable Housing: I support the Homeless and Affordable Housing Plans and advocate for seniors, people with disabilities, and our most vulnerable. Transportation and Environment: I back infrastructure that supports safe car and multimodal travel. I'm committed to sustainable, climate-smart solutions.

I'm honored to have the support of elected officials, neighborhood leaders, veterans, first responders, and hundreds of residents and business owners.

I respectfully ask for your vote to continue this important work.

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#### Council, Position No. 1



#### Kim D. Harless

Elected Experience Vancouver City Councilmember, Position 1 (current); 2021 Clark County Charter Review Commissioner and Co-Chair

Other Professional Experience Policy, Advocacy, and Community Engagement Manager, Native American Youth and Family Center's Vancouver Office (NAYA, current); PaintCare; Clark

County Public Health & Environment Services; WSU Vancouver

**Education** Washington State University Vancouver, Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science; Clark College; Heritage High School

Community Service Board Member, Fourth Plain Forward; Chair, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee; Board Member, Southwest Washington Clean Air Agency; Alternate, C-TRAN Board of Directors; LULAC Councilmember; Former Vice-Chair, Clark County Food System Council; George C. Marshall 2021 Leadership Award Finalist; Leadership Clark County, 2019

**Statement** I believe in a Vancouver where every resident, regardless of background, is not just surviving but thriving. Vancouver has made significant advances in recent years, but there's more work ahead.

Since being elected in 2021, I've worked hard to deliver on my promises to you: advancing our response to climate change; protecting the environment; expanding affordable housing; ensuring the voices of those most impacted are heard; making grants more accessible for small cultural organizations; promoting development that centers community voices; creating safer transportation options; and increasing shelter capacity and improving our homelessness response, which has become a model

I understand the challenges families face in juggling time, energy, and resources, and I bring that lived experience to every decision. As a multi-racial single mother, with Native American and Chicano ancestry, I'm dedicated to the safety and resiliency of this community, and my entire professional and personal life has been rooted in public service.

I will lead with equity, accountability, and care as I continue fighting for the Vancouver we all believe in. This city helped shape who I am, and I'm proud to give back. I'd be honored to have your support to continue this work.

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### City of Vancouver

Council, Position No. 1



### **Pooneh Gray**

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience Yamhill County Mental Health, Cascadia Behavioral Healthcare, as a Qualified Mental Health Professional; State of Oregon, as the state's Enhanced Care Coordinator. Responsible for providing treatment, rehabilitation, skills training

and transitional housing for individuals with severe mental illness and addiction. Real Estate business owner, developed public-private housing solutions for the most vulnerable.

Education Master's degree in Psychology, University of Idaho, Bachelors WSU. Fort Vancouver High School

Community Service Member of the Oregon State Health Care Association. Supports Disabled American Veterans and American Red Cross. Advocate for crime victims and families who have been wrongfully incarcerated or lost loved ones to violent crime.

Statement Pooneh Gray was raised in Vancouver. She received her Bachelors from Washington State University and a Masters degree in Psychology from University of Idaho. For three decades, Pooneh has created transitional housing programs for the most vulnerable individuals in both the public and private sectors. Her work includes treatment, rehabilitation, and skills training. Recognizing that unsheltered street living is unsafe for everyone, Pooneh will advocate for a ban on urban camping while developing partnerships to assist the unhoused.

As a business owner Pooneh knows that tax increases are often passed onto working families and consumers by driving up the cost of everyday goods and housing. She supports policies that avoid unnecessary tax burdens and promote job creation.

Pooneh believes in giving victims a voice and supports funding for law-enforcement, emergency responders, and 911 dispatch centers. She will promote safe community environments by improving lighting, walkability, and clean community spaces. Pooneh is committed to working hard every single day for the people of Vancouver. She believes that great solutions come from listening to every voice in the community. "When we work together, we can create real, lasting change that reflects our shared values and goals".

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Council, Position No. 2



#### **Derek O Thompson**

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience No Information Submitted

**Education** No Information Submitted Community Service No Information Submitted

**Statement** A Vancouver resident since

2012. I'm running for City Council because I Love my city.

My experience building an NPO with 24 partnerships and connecting with over 24,000 people in our region demonstrates my ability to unite our community.

I'm committed to eradicating homelessness, ensuring safe streets through police-citizen relationships, and improving the quality of life for veterans, seniors, and children by addressing issues like food insecurity and affordable housing.

It's time to build a better Vancouver.

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### City of Vancouver

Council, Position No. 2



#### **Erik Paulsen**

**Elected Experience** Vancouver Mayor Pro Tem, Council Member

**Other Professional Experience** 30 years financial services experience; more than 25 years leadership experience.

Education M.B.A, Washington State University; B.S. Economics, Portland State University; Hudson's Bay High

School, Vancouver Public Schools; Leadership Clark County; Modern Elder Academy.

**Community Service** C-Tran—Board Member; SW Washington Regional Transportation Council — Board Member; Columbia River Economic Development Council — Executive Committee; Legacy Salmon Creek Foundation— Board of Trustees; Southwest Clean Air Agency—Board Member; City of Vancouver Affordable Housing Task Force; Vancouver Planning Commission—Chair; Clark County Food Bank; Friends of Trees; Washington Trails Association; Pacific Crest Trail Association.

**Statement** Leadership means listening. I am proud of my proven track record of listening respectfully to community members and colleagues— whether we agree or disagree— to find common ground and implement thoughtful solutions to the complex challenges facing our City. Challenges like living within our means while the demand and cost of services increases and available revenue decreases.

Public safety is a paramount duty of government. We must provide our first responders with the staffing and equipment they need to keep our City safe. Unhoused individuals are dying on our streets. Vancouver is a recognized leader in the effort to eradicate homelessness and increase housing production. I will continue to support cost-effective strategies to eliminate unsheltered homelessness while significantly increasing housing production and choices.

Everyone in our City should be able to get where they want, when they want, safely and cost-effectively. I will continue to support transportation strategies that include effective maintenance, safety improvements, multi-modal corridors, and access to transit.

Vancouver is where I was raised, educated, built a home and career, and raised a family. Vancouver is my home. Now, more that ever, our community needs thoughtful leaders who listen. I ask for your vote.

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#### Council, Position No. 3



#### **Robert Elkin**

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience Future Soldier Program graduate.

Education I am a lifelong resident of Vancouver, Washington, and graduate of Evergreen High School.

Community Service My first exposure to civic responsibility was at age 4,

advocating with my family to reopen Vancouver Fire Station 6. Our efforts reopened the essential station and taught me about the power of the people's voice in city politics. Since then, I have stayed involved in my neighborhood association and local food banks. Having learned the value of civic involvement at a young age I carry a deep respect for local government and the people it serves.

**Statement** At 20 years old, I bring a fresh perspective, strong civic roots, and a drive to ensure every resident's voice is heard. My age is a strength. I represent a new generation of leadership that listens, leads with integrity, and thinks long-term. An important goal is to bring out the youth vote. I'm committed to making Vancouver's government more accessible and responsive to all residents.

Maintaining and strengthening Public Safety is the paramount duty of the city council. I will support our police and fire, promote crime prevention, mental health resources, community engagement and provide adequate funding to meet these needs.

Vancouver's \$2.1 billion budget must reflect the will of the people. I will call for transparency, accountability, and wise use of every tax dollar. We need to find solutions that support our parks, maintain our roads, attract jobs and grow our economy. While it is essential to fund what is already working, it is equally important to recognize and address systemic barriers that perpetuate homelessness.

I'm running to help build a safer, more accountable Vancouver one that works for everyone. Together, we can shape a brighter future for Vancouver.

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### City of Vancouver

#### Council, Position No. 3



#### Diana H. Perez

Elected Experience Council Member, City of Vancouver, 2022-present

Other Professional Experience National Special Emphasis Program Manager, USDA Forest Service; 30+ years public land and natural resource management as a biologist, deputy monument manager, acting district ranger, and national recruiter

Education Executive Women in Leadership Graduate Certificate, Cornell University; M.S. in Fisheries, Oregon State University; B.S. in Wildlife Management, Texas Tech University

**Community Service** Ending Community Homelessness Organization, Vice Chair; Community Action Advisory Board; Elder Justice Center Executive Board; National League of Cities; Stronger Vancouver Executive Committee; Community Task Force on Council Representation; East Old Evergreen Highway Neighborhood Association, Co-Chair; Washington State Parks and Recreation, Commissioner

**Statement** I'm committed to continuing my role in leading this great city with purpose and intention. Drawing on my experience in public service and a strong record of collaboration, I listen, problem-solve, and build trust to address Vancouver's toughest challenges.

In my first term as City Councilmember, I expanded representation on City boards and commissions; strengthened our response to homelessness; championed the inclusion of childcare in city planning; advanced an ambitious climate framework for clean air, water, and sustainability; supported small businesses; and engaged directly with residents to address local concerns.

There is more to do. I'll work tirelessly to improve our quality of life, ensure financial stability, and use our city's competitive advantages to attract community-minded businesses that provide living wage jobs while supporting our current businesses. I'll help tackle our complicated housing, transportation, infrastructure, and public safety challenges that come with growth and development. My focus is on housing availability and affordability, combating homelessness, and ensuring public safety by expanding economic opportunities, strengthening partnerships, and ensuring neighborhoods are safe and secure.

Vancouver's challenges require bold, decisive leadership. I'm committed to action, strong partnerships, and building a resilient, brighter future for all. I humbly ask for your vote.

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#### **David Stuebe**

**Elected Experience** Serving as the Mayor since September 2022. Leading the responsible growth of our city. Secured \$3.9 million in tax dollars in support of downtown development. \$40.4 million for designs and funding for the 32nd Street railway underpass and \$2 million for the civic campus renovation. \$2.2 million for the city library.

Other Professional Experience Retired Colonel, 30 years, US Marine Corps. I led coalition training, humanitarian missions, combat operations around the world and held large commands. Retired from the healthcare industry holding leadership positions. Current State House Representative and Mayor of Washougal.

**Education** BA Degree, Political Science

**Community Service** Serving on many city and community boards.

**Statement** I have been a resident of Washougal since 2007, married to Paige and have four adult children and six grandkids. My passion is to serve my community and be an active part in the continuation of growing a small city that cares for our neighbors. A community where we are all proud, respectful, and responsible to each other. I am excited about continuing to work with city leadership, staff, volunteers, community and working toward our 5-year strategic plan. This includes a downtown park with a splashpad, outdoor kitchen, dog park and additional parking for our new library and downtown businesses. Additionally, we received funding for many of the city projects that will take us into the future as our city grows responsibly. I enjoy leading and being part of a community in helping make Washougal our home and an amazing place to live and work. I am committed to helping the city provide intelligent and responsible growth, resident safety, affordable housing, downtown and business growth, youth/adult/ senior resources and activities. I am a lifetime member of Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), Moose and Eagle member.

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### City of Washougal

Council, Position No. 3



#### **David M Fritz**

Elected Experience Washougal City Council Position 3 - September 2022 present; Mayor Pro-Tem, January 2025 - present.

Other Professional Experience Corporate Real Estate and Business development

Education Master's Degree in Business Administration; Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.

Community Service Unite Washougal, Board of Directors; Camas and Washougal Ivy Leagues; Washington Trails Association.

**Statement** As an active and engaged City Councilor I respectfully ask for continued voter support for an additional term as councilor, and for 2025, as Mayor Pro Tem.

I am an advocate for non-motorized multi-use connectivity to help reduce traffic and parking concerns while promoting a healthy and livable community. My efforts include serving on Washougal's Transportation Capital Facilities Steering Committee and as a Director with Southwest Washington's Regional Transportation Committee.

I am an advocate for strong public safety, having attended Fire Ops Training in Boise ID and fully support moving to a fire department that deploys three firefighters per engine. I have ridden on patrol with our local police department and as a member of AWC's Federal Legislative Priorities Committee specifically had wording added to the committee statement calling for support for a permanent regional training facility.

I believe in reaching beyond city limits for the benefit of the city. I served as a group member meeting with our national delegation in Washington DC to speak on behalf of local projects. I was a selffunded member representing Washougal in our sister city of Zielonki PL in the summers of 2023 and 2025 building relationships and exchanging ideas.

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### **Marty Swofford Jr**

Elected Experience Orchard Hills Golf and Country Club Board Member 2021-Present; Orchard Hills Golf and Country Club Secretary 2021-2022; Orchard Hills Golf and Country Club Board President 2023-Present.

Other Professional Experience An operations expert with an MBA and a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt, leading

multimillion-dollar improvements across industries. Marty is dedicated to keeping Washougal a safe, thriving, and fiscally responsible place for future generations.

Education BS Economics, University of Utah: MBA, University of Utah: Masters of Healthcare Administration. University of Utah.

Community Service Clark County Youth Football Coach 2024-Present; Washougal Youth Basketball Coach 2025; East County Little League 2020, 2025-present.

Statement As a proud Washougal resident since 2013, U.S. Navy veteran, father of three, and active community volunteer, I am running for City Council to ensure our city remains a safe, prosperous, and well-managed place to live and raise a family.

Washougal is growing rapidly, and with that growth comes the responsibility to manage it wisely. I will advocate for smart, balanced development that respects our small-town character while meeting state housing mandates. Growth should never come at the expense of the quality of life for current residents.

Public safety and essential services must remain top priorities. As demand increases, we must ensure our police, fire, and emergency services are fully supported and properly funded. I also support continued investment in revitalizing our town center and park initiatives that strengthen community pride and make Washougal a great place to live and visit.

Most importantly, I will be a strong voice for fiscal responsibility, demanding value for every tax dollar, controlling spending, and holding city leadership accountable. Together, we can protect what makes Washougal special while building a sustainable future. I would be honored to earn your vote. Marty Swofford – Proven Leadership. Community First.

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### City of Washougal

Council, Position No. 6

# No Photo Submitted

#### Cam Stevens

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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### City of Woodland

Council, Position No. 1



#### **Aaron Brown**

Statement Woodland is growing fast. We can grow by accident—or by design. I'm Aaron Brown. I live in Old Town Woodland with my family, where we've built our lives and raised our kids in the same schools many of you have. We believe in Woodland because we live it every day.

I believe in family, in community, and in

the strength of a democratic republic. As Woodland prepares to double in population over the next decade, I want to help ensure that growth is steady, thoughtful, and economically sound growth that reflects our values and strengthens our city for generations to come.

I also believe the decisions we make must be rooted in what makes Woodland unique: connected neighborhoods, family-first thinking, and leadership that listens. I want to represent a community invested in itself.

I'm running for City Council to help strengthen the "We" in Woodland—bringing people together across perspectives, building bridges, and shaping policy that works for families, businesses, and future generations. Let's preserve what makes Woodland special while building an even stronger tomorrow.

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## City of Woodland

Council, Position No. 1



### J J Burke

**Statement** I have been a resident since 1992 of Woodland, after retiring from the U.S. Coast Guard for over 22 years. I care about our community! Having served on the council for 16 years, I have the experience of stepping in and geting things done. Our primary aim is to get exit 21 fixed

Volunteered: Served 16 Years as Council

Member #1. Held Mayor Pro Tem for 3 years. Involved in the community; President of the Woodland Planters Days committee celebration for 20 years. Master/ President of the Woodland Grange; Business of the quarter; Cowlitz County Pomona Citizen of the year; 2014 Woodland Citizen of the year; Honorary Member of the Woodland Chamber of Commerce; Local business owner since 1993-2020. I am also interested in seeing a Senior Citizens Center be built, and a place for the younger children go to. Please Vote this year and make it count. Bring back "J J" Burke as city council Position #1.

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# City of Woodland

#### Council, Position No. 2



### **Brittny Michaelson**

Statement Woodland is in my blood. My children are sixth-generation Woodlanders. My great-greatgrandfather, Carl Insel, was a respected business owner and community leader who cared deeply for this town. That legacy of service and love for Woodland has been passed down through the generations.

This community means everything to me. I've watched neighbors speak up at city council meetings, on social media, and in personal conversations—only to feel unheard. That has to change.

I'm running for City Council to be a true representative for the people of Woodland—to listen, to validate, and to work toward the changes our community wants and needs. I'm not a politician—I'm your neighbor, your fellow community member, and someone deeply invested in the future of this town.

My priorities reflect what I hear from you: transparency in city spending, addressing overstressed infrastructure (we can't keep growing without systems to support it), support for legal businesses—including cannabis, downtown revitalization and support for small businesses, and protecting farmland and natural spaces that define Woodland's rural character. I won't pretend to have all the answers, but I will show up, listen with care, and lead with integrity. Woodland deserves a council that reflects its people.

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## City of Woodland

Council, Position No. 2



#### **Carol Rounds**

Statement Carol Rounds, running for Council Position #2. I reside at 576 Buckeye St. Woodland, WA 98674, where I have lived for 46 years. My three children graduated from Woodland High School. I worked 37 years at a local bank and retired as branch manager in 2014.

I am running for council position to help

improve the quality of life for all Woodland citizens by making it a more business friendly place. I believe that this would help create more family wage jobs, and thus create more tax revenue without increasing taxes.

I believe I am the best candidate because I work well with people and have a common sense approach. My community service with Woodland Rotary, the Chamber of Commerce, CAP, United Way & YMCA adds to my qualifications for being on the Woodland City Council. Below are my top 3 priorities: Encourage economic growth and good paying jobs; Create and/or stimulate solutions to traffic congestion; Be a good steward of your tax dollars.

I believe the area we should focus on the most is industrial development which provides family wage jobs and an increased tax base.

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#### DeeAnna Holland

Statement Hey there, I'm DeeAnna Holland, and I'm running to return to the Woodland City Council to bring back experienced, community-first leadership. As a former council member and lifelong advocate for Woodland, I've always stood for practical solutions, honest dialogue, and policies that put residents—not special interests—first.

With a background in business and public service, I understand the importance of balancing the budget while protecting essential services like roads, water systems, and public facilities that serve both families and small businesses alike. I've never been afraid to ask tough questions, eliminate waste, and ensure every tax dollar is spent wisely.

I believe in thoughtful growth that supports our infrastructure and respects Woodland's rural character. We must prioritize the needs of current residents before considering expansion or tax increases. I support community-driven solutions that reflect our shared values and protect what makes Woodland special. Leadership means showing up, listening, and making decisions that serve the whole community. I'm committed to transparency, accessibility, and integrity—and I'm ready to lead with the experience, heart, and accountability our city deserves.

Let's move forward with common sense and a clear focus on what matters most. I'd be honored to serve Woodland again.

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# City of Woodland

Council, Position No. 3



### **Melissa Doughty**

**Statement** Over the past four years on City Council, I have been deeply committed to listening to the voices of our incredible community and advocating on their behalf. My goal has always been to uphold Woodland's longstanding values and traditions while helping guide our city forward in a thoughtful, balanced way that addresses both the demands of growth and the

realities of evolving state regulations.

It has been both a privilege and a humbling experience to serve the people of Woodland. I am proud of the work we've done together and remain dedicated to ensuring that all voices are heard, especially when decisions impact the character and future of our city. If re-elected, I will continue to ask the tough questions, elevate community concerns, and pursue solutions that are sustainable, equitable, and beneficial for both current and future generations.

One of the most meaningful aspects of this role has been engaging with and mentoring our youth. I believe strongly in investing in the next generation and laying a strong foundation for Woodland's future.

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# City of Woodland

#### Council, Position No. 6



#### **Keith Bellisle**

Statement City Council makes important decisions that affect all of us here in Woodland, from our roads and parks to how our town grows and supports local businesses. I'm Keith Bellisle, I'm asking for your vote for Woodland City Council.

I believe in making sure our town grows in a way that's good for everyone,

keeping the friendly, hometown feel we all appreciate. It's important to me that people on the City Council are open and honest, and that they really listen to what the people of Woodland think and need.

If you choose to elect me to City Council, I promise to be careful and smart with how our town's money is spent. I also want to make sure any new growth in our town is well-planned and doesn't take away from what makes Woodland special.

I believe that by working together and listening to each other, we will make Woodland an even better place to live, work, and raise our families. I am committed to being a voice for all residents and to making decisions that benefit our entire community. I would be honored to have your support and vote. Let's work together for a brilliant future for Woodland.

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# City of Woodland

Council, Position No. 6



#### Jennifer De Luz

Statement As a wife, entrepreneur and American Patriot I believe that city government should represent the people and the communities interest as a whole. I believe we need leaders who won't push their own agenda but instead are willing to reach out and form relationships, understanding and partnerships with our residents, businesses and community. I strongly

support the people of Woodland having a voice and a vote, especially when it comes to hot ticket issues.

If given the opportunity to serve this community on city council I promise to work hard to preserve our "small town feel" while still advocating for local businesses, and the public safety and enrichment of our citizens as we try to understand and mitigate our infrastructure and growth issues we face moving forward. I believe every leader should practice active listening when questions, concerns and ideas are brought forth. Lastly I will be accessible, candid and always encourage citizen involvement in local government.

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### City of Woodland

Council, Position No. 7



### Jason L. Friend

Statement Having built our life in Woodland, where our children attend local schools, my dedication to our community is clear. As a City Council member for the past year, I seek your vote to continue being your dedicated voice. During my term, I supported vital law enforcement equipment and a policy allowing non-profits to suspend irrigation without off-season fees,

providing financial flexibility. I believe in representing people and prioritizing what's right for Woodland.

Looking ahead, my focus is enhancing citizen engagement and creating community involvement pathways. I support placing major issues on the ballot to ensure your direct voice shapes our city. My experience as a System Director, combined with my business education (MBA, BBA), equips me with leadership and financial skills for City Council governance.

As a member of Woodland Moose Lodge and Rotary, I value community connections. I am committed to open communication and ensuring your concerns are represented.

I ask for your vote on Election Day to continue serving Woodland with dedication and integrity, working collaboratively for a successful future

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### Town of Yacolt

Council, Position No. 1



#### **Jeff Carothers**

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience** No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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# **Kandi Peto**

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information

submitted

Statement No information submitted

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# Town of Yacolt

No Photo

Submitted

Council, Position No. 3

# **Craig Carroll**

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**Elected Experience** No information

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information

submitted

Statement No information submitted

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# Town of Yacolt

Council, Position No. 4

# No Photo Submitted

#### **Brandon Russell**

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience** No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted

Community Service No information

submitted

Statement No information submitted

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### Battle Ground School District No. 119

School Director, District No. 1



### **Lorri Sibley**

Elected Experience | I served in Battle Ground Education Association (BGEA) as a union rep, Primary Rep at Large, Secretary and finally as Vice President.

#### Other Professional Experience I have been an elementary level teacher for 37 years.

Education I hold a Master's Degree in Elementary Education from City

University and am also National Board Certified Teacher in the area of Early Middle Childhood Literacy.

**Community Service** I volunteer in the schools, working with students, providing additional academic support. I also serve in my local church here in Battle Ground.

**Statement** As a candidate for Battle Ground Public Schools Director, Position 1, my priority is to strengthen our district by increasing public trust, and supporting staff and students to ultimately achieve student success.

As a proud recently retired primary teacher of 32 years in Battle Ground, and as a leader in the Battle Ground Education Association, I have first hand experience of what works and what doesn't. I completely believe in our schools; there is such heart here. Battle Ground is not perfect, but if we work together as a community, we can make it even better. I am committed to providing the resources necessary to support students and staff, while also being fiscally responsible with limited funds.

I have heard the community and their desire to make our schools stronger. We need everyone to be involved to make that happen. I am determined to increase public involvement in our schools, so they can see the amazing things happening and then to provide educated feedback for improvement.

I will be an experienced guiding force in moving our district into a promising future. I am ready for the challenge ahead. I ask for your vote!

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### Battle Ground School District No. 119

School Director, District No. 1



#### Jennifer Heine-Withee

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience Visual display artist, 8 years. Classified and emergency substitute for BGPS, 3 years. Currently work for the Family Policy Institute of Washington.

Education Graduated Prairie HS, University of Southern Oregon, B.S. in Art.

Community Service Since 2018, advocated for family engagement in education, Director of WA Parents' Rights in Education, 5 years. Worked with lawmakers, school board directors, and met twice with Superintendent Chris Reykdal. Spearheaded organizing members of WSSDA who eliminated the weighted vote, breaking Seattle's control and restoring fairness in voting. Worked with the district to revise the library procedure improving oversight and consistency. Served on the Citizens Advisory Committee.

Statement Battle Ground School District offers many valuable and unique opportunities for students that might not be offered in other districts. We have dedicated teachers who care deeply about our children and work hard to provide a strong education.

However, I believe we can do better. Our test scores have dropped vet graduation rates have gone up. We pay over \$17,000 per student and despite the district's efforts to be fiscally responsible they have been forced to cut \$20 million from the budget. I believe there is room for improvement.

I aim to foster open communication and transparency between families and the district, while focusing on better fiscal management. I'll work towards greater transparency in contract negotiations. I'll work with the district to increase community involvement by encouraging more volunteers. I'll work with the district to increase middle school readiness by ensuring that every child is reading at grade level by the time they enter 4th grade. I'll work with the district and the community to bring back the Aspire program and middle school sports.

Let's work together to bring back a strong foundation of excellence in education for all of our kids.

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### Battle Ground School District No. 119

School Director, District No. 3



#### **Chris Grewell**

Elected Experience First-time candidate with a strong commitment to service and local leadership.

Other Professional Experience Project Manager at Maddox Industrial Transformer; former CEO of a regional enterprise; former Public Works Director; U.S. Air Force veteran and former Air Traffic Control Tower

Manager. Brings decades of experience managing people, budgets, infrastructure, and long-range planning.

Education M.S. in Management (Project Management), Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University: B.S. in Applied Science and Technology, Thomas Edison State University.

Community Service Committee Chair, Battle Ground Young Life; Member, Veterans of Foreign Wars; active youth mentor and advocate for families, civic responsibility, and student success.

Statement I'm a father of four children in the district, a U.S. Air Force veteran, and a project manager in the manufacturing sector. I'm running because our schools need steady leadership—grounded in principle, anchored in our community, and committed to truth, responsibility, and excellence. I believe in local control, fiscal discipline, and giving parents a meaningful voice in education. We should be teaching students how to think—not what to think. That means a focus on core academics, respect for families, and classrooms free from political agendas.

I've led teams, managed complex infrastructure projects, and built lasting partnerships in both public and private sectors. My experience includes military leadership, executive management, and community development. These roles have shaped how I approach challenges with clarity, accountability, and long-term thinking.

As Committee Chair for Battle Ground Young Life and a member of the VFW, I've worked directly with students and families across our community. I've seen firsthand the importance of mentorship, strong moral examples, and protecting the values that make this a great place to raise a family. I'll work to protect the integrity of our schools and help shape an education that honors both our heritage and our future.

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### Battle Ground School District No. 119

School Director, District No. 3



#### Sabrena Worthy

**Elected Experience** Secretary and Treasurer for a faith-based organization.

#### Other Professional Experience

In over ten years as a social worker, I've counseled and case managed at-risk youth at Benton County Health Department, adults with disabilities with Home Life Inc. and Consumer Direct Care Network Washington, and families

needing preservation services with Institute for Family Development. I worked with multidisciplinary teams ensuring clients received comprehensive support.

**Education** Bachelor of Science in Sociology from Oregon State University.

Community Service I coached and taught a middle school Science Olympiad Team for three years. Costume Chair for six youth theater productions with Journey Theater. Volunteered with Clark County Food Bank.

**Statement** When my children joined Battle Ground Public Schools, their growth inspired me to give back to our community. As a former social worker, I understand the complex challenges families face. I'm dedicated to ensuring every child has access to fully funded, high quality public education that supports individual goals, nurtures well-being, and builds essential life skills for a changing world.

As a school district director, I will advocate for investment in special education, mental health resources, and student-centered curriculum. These priorities help close achievement gaps and empower all students to thrive socially and academically. In light of recent levy failures, I am committed to increasing communication, strengthening community partnerships, and engaging families and local organizations to rebuild trust and foster stronger, more collaborative relationships throughout our district.

I strongly support financial responsibility, advocating for transparent budgeting, careful oversight, and efficient use of taxpayer funds. I believe in budgeting aligned with our district's strategic plan, ensuring resources directly benefit students and classrooms. By promoting flexible learning, innovative teaching, and strong partnerships among families, educators, and the community, we can create a positive and supportive environment where every child can excel. Educate, empower, excel together!

I respectfully request your vote.

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### No Photo Submitted

#### Solina Adelson-Journey

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience No Information Submitted

**Education** No Information Submitted

Community Service No Information Submitted

**Statement** Due to a recent change in

personal dynamics, I have withdrawn my candidacy. I extend my sincere gratitude to all supporters and remain committed to the values that inspired this campaign. Thank you for your understanding.

No candidate contact information submitted

### Battle Ground School District No. 119

School Director, District No. 5



#### Marshall Marrott

Elected Experience None

Other Professional Experience

Business and Sales Manager with 25 years of experience in leadership, budgeting, and team development across diverse industries, including 7 years of behavioral support and training for families with at-risk youth.

Education B.A. in Business, Utah State

University. I am completing my MBA in 2025.

**Community Service** Four years on the BGPS Citizens Advisory Committee as a member and in a leadership role. 20 years as an adult leader and volunteer with the Boy Scouts of America, PTA volunteer, classroom helper, and church youth leader.

Statement I bring a unique blend of professional leadership, community service, parenting experience, and personal dedication to student success. These experiences have prepared me to offer thoughtful leadership, transparency, and meaningful collaboration as a member of the school board.

I am deeply committed to advancing the vision of Battle Ground Public Schools—Connecting Every Student to a Successful Future. Every student deserves access to an educational environment that supports learning, fosters growth, and meets their individual needs. With great respect for our district's mission, I will work to ensure every student is seen, heard, and valued. I'm committed to supporting educators, partnering with families, and advocating for high-quality schools where all students belong and thrive.

Battle Ground Public Schools needs strong, steady leadership grounded in our community values to navigate the challenges and opportunities of today and tomorrow. I will champion fair policies, ensure responsible budgeting, and focus on decisions that lead to real progress.

I'm ready to lead with integrity, listen with empathy, and act with students at the center of every decision. I respectfully ask for your trust, your partnership, and your vote as we work together to build a brighter future for all students.

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### Camas School District No. 117

School Director, District No. 1



### Corey McEnry

**Elected Experience** I've served as a Camas School District Board Director, District 1 since 2018. I served three terms as Board President from 2022 through 2024 and am currently acting as the Board's Legislative Representative.

#### Other Professional Experience Since 2008 I've been a music teacher in the Hockinson School District. I've also

served terms as Vice-President and President of the Hockinson Education Association.

**Education** Camas High School Graduate: Bachelor of Music Education, Western Washington University: Master of Music, Sam Houston State University; National Board Certified Teacher in Early Adolescent-Young Adult Instrumental Music

Community Service School volunteer, Camas Days Parade organizer, North County Honor Band Co-Chair

Statement It has been an honor serving the Camas community on the School Board. Over the past seven years, I have worked to keep students, educators, and families at the heart of every decision. I'm especially proud of our strategic plan focused on high quality instruction, inclusion, and responsive learning pathways—ensuring each student is supported, challenged, and known.

As a third-generation Camas graduate, current Camas parent, and longtime public school teacher, I believe strong schools build strong communities. I have advocated at the state level for fair funding and policies that reflect the real needs of students, educators, and our community. Locally, I have supported responsible budgeting that preserves student choice and ensures access to a meaningful education.

Public education has undergone significant disruption in recent years, and the path forward remains uncertain. In this environment, Camas needs experienced, steady leadership to navigate evolving challenges while keeping student success at the center of every decision.

I remain committed to strengthening partnerships with families and our community so every student has the support and opportunities they need to thrive. Camas students deserve classrooms led by supported educators and a community that believes in them. I respectfully ask for your vote.

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### Camas School District No. 117

School Director, District No. 2



#### Matthew J. McBride

**Elected Experience** Camas School District Board; Director District 2; 2024 - present

Other Professional Experience Director, American Chemical Society

Education MSc, Saint Joseph's University; MSc, University of Minnesota; BSc, Purdue University

**Community Service** I am actively involved in leadership roles within our schools, community and in the City of Camas, including: Camas Robotics Booster Club; Camas School District Citizens Advisory, Policy Review, and City Schools Committees; Board of Trustees Clark County (WA) Mosquito Control District; City of Camas Parking Advisory Committee, Board of Adjustment, Salary Review Commission; Camas-Washougal Community Chest.

**Statement** I am deeply committed to empowering students and families through thoughtful leadership and innovative solutions. My journey as a lifelong learner has equipped me to analyze challenges, embrace diverse perspectives, and drive meaningful progress. By applying these experiences, I strive to meet the evolving needs of education and ensure students have access to the tools they need to succeed. For the past 23 years, Camas has been my home, where my wife and I have raised our four children, all proud students of Camas schools. This connection inspires my dedication to fostering growth and collaboration within our district. Since 2024, I've served as a Camas School Board Director, focusing on transparent decisionmaking and inclusive engagement. Through roles such as board member of the Camas Robotics Club and involvement in community groups, I work to strengthen opportunities and build a supportive environment for students. I believe education has the power to transform lives, and I am committed to creating pathways that prepare each student to thrive.

It would be an honor to continue serving as a Director for the Camas School District, making a lasting impact for students, families, and educators.

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#### Jacob Smith

Elected Experience PCO 630 Clark County Republican Party December 2022- present

Other Professional Experience No Information Submitted

Education Heritage High School,2010; Clark college 2010-2014; Eastern Washington University 2021-2023; Washington State University 2023-2025.

Community Service Volunteer judge with DECA and FBLA 2022-present

Statement I am running for Evergreen Public Schools because our brand image is broken. We were told to pass a levy to save certain jobs but those jobs went away even with the levy passing. Several incidents with a former teacher at Covington have led to more questions than answers and was part of the no vote for the 2022 levy alongside perceptions the district is not properly addressing issues. We have had 6 incidents with guns or knives on district property within the last 3.5 years yet there is no effort of bringing security back into our schools (School Resource Officers or private security) and the district chose to cut dean of students for middle schools in spite of two of the incidents taking place at Shahala. The AVID program has also been taken away even with neighboring Vancouver SD expanding on it even with the program being beneficial to students. Our community has reiterated that office staff be cut yet we are cutting librarians, paraeducators, deans of students all which impact students on a daily basis. We must rehabilitate our brand and rebuild trust within the community. I would be honored to receive your vote

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### Evergreen School District No. 114

School Director, District No. 1



### Julie Bocanegra

Elected Experience Serving as an Evergreen Public School Board Director since 2012. Appointed to the position in 2012, elected in 2013 and re-elected in 2017 and 2021.

Other Professional Experience Employed since 1994 with Columbia Credit Union. Currently as the Vice President Branches Regional Manager.

**Education** Graduated from Prairie High School. Associate in Arts degree from Clark College. Supervisory Management Certificate from Clark College.

Community Service Battle Ground Chamber of Commerce Chairman and Board of Directors, 2005-2014; Evergreen Little League President and Board Director, 2003-2008; Youth sports coach; Evergreen School District Foundation Board of Directors; Washington State School Directors Association, Board of Directors, 2020-present.

**Statement** It is an honor to serve as a Board Director for Evergreen Public Schools. I believe public education is the promise that every child deserves a chance to learn, grow and succeed. Providing a quality education to every student is my top priority. In my tenure as a board director, graduation rates continue to rise and consistently are above the state average. Offering a variety of programs with academic rigor for students to become college or career ready, and engaged in their school experience is my commitment to the community. Continuing to be innovative, learning from past experiences, and dedication to ongoing improvement is my passion for this work. The district has been recognized for sound fiscal management and continued efforts to be responsible to taxpayers.

I believe that supporting public schools builds strong communities and I will continue to be an advocate for every student. My belief is that every student has potential, and I will continue the vision to provide opportunities and access for every student throughout the entire district by removing barriers and providing support for families.

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### Evergreen School District No. 114

School Director, District No. 5



#### **Louis Bernard**

Elected Experience none

Other Professional Experience

Currently own and operate a small residential construction company where problem solving and adhering to a budget is essential. I hold both commercial pilot/rotorcraft-helicopter and flight instructor/rotocraft-helicopter certificates with instrument ratings.

Education Tarrant County Junior College, LeTourneau University, Clark College

Community Service Good Shepherd Episcopal church volunteer, Cascadia Montessori volunteer, and a neighborhood volunteer.

Statement As an established 25-year Vancouver resident and the parent of a 6th grader, I'm concerned about the education that our students are receiving. Only 35% of Evergreen students meet standards for math, science, and english (per OSPI) while a neighboring district is double that nearing 70%. The Evergreen School District (ESD) ranks last of the nine Clark County school districts.

This is unacceptable and is a contributing factor why ESD has lost 5,000 in student enrollment since 2016, resulting in the loss of \$90,000,000.00 in state funding. The ESD board commits that "all students will be world-competitive upon graduation", they've failed! The board also commits to "creating a fiscally responsible system". How's the firing of two superintendents (within 4 years) without cause, costing the district over \$500,000.00, fiscally responsible? We need new leadership, not low standards.

I believe in returning to the core basics of education (reading, writing, and arithmetic), bringing back elementary school librarians, advocating for security, thus promoting a strong culture for learning. To place the needs of the students above all else, the board/district needs to operate more responsibly. I'll use my analytical business skills to make sound quality decisions. Vote Bernard for Evergreen!

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### Evergreen School District No. 114

School Director, District No. 5



#### **Ginny Gronwoldt**

Elected Experience Current Evergreen Public Schools Director District 5, elected 2017.

Other Professional Experience Senior Portfolio Manager at Salal Credit Union, with over 25 years of banking and financial analysis experience.

**Education** Bachelor of Science in **Business Administration from Warner** 

Pacific College.

**Community Service** Evergreen School District Foundation, Past President; Educational Opportunities for Children and Families (EOCF), Past Chair; Leadership Clark County, 2012 Graduate and former Education Session Chair; Miss Clark County and Miss Washington Scholarship Organizations, Teen Ambassador Coordinator; Police Activities League of Vancouver; 2012 Accomplished and Under 40; 2017 Evergreen Public Schools Volunteer appreciation award recipient.

Statement It has been an honor to serve as your School Board Director in EPS and I will continue to lead effectively as a representative for you and our community. My focus is to improve the quality of education for every student by continuing to invest in them through equity and inclusion, innovation and technology, quality educators and facilities that foster growth. I have worked on numerous initiatives in the District but the ones I'm most proud of include expanding the equity work being done in the district, the replacement of outdated schools, increasing graduation rates and the work being done to bring more student voice to the Board and its decision-making processes. As a parent of three children, I want the best learning opportunities for my children and for all students in our community. I have seen first-hand the positive impacts a collaborative team can have on a student's success. I will continue to work hard to put students first and to dedicate myself to making decisions that will best benefit our students and schools, through common sense decision making and fiscal responsibility. I respectfully ask for your vote.

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#### No Photo Submitted

#### **Adam Dunn**

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted

Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Green Mountain School District No. 103

School Director, Position No. 2

### No Photo Submitted

#### **Kessie Brown**

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information

submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Green Mountain School District No. 103

School Director, Position No. 3

### No Photo Submitted

#### **Kent Furman**

Elected Experience No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience** No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted

Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Green Mountain School District No. 103

School Director, Position No. 4

#### No Photo Submitted

#### **Curtis Tikka**

Elected Experience No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience** No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information

submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Stacie Prentice Mitchem

Elected Experience HOA Board Member (Vice President/Secretary), President of Hockinson High School Equestrian Team, President of Range Riders and Goating Around 4-H Clubs

Other Professional Experience Substitute for Hockinson Schools, Business Owner/Operator at JSR Home Improvements, Marketing Manager for

Multimillion dollar Home Improvements company

Education Bachelor's degree in education--Grand Canyon University

Community Service Hockinson Schools, Hockinson Community Ed., Battle Ground Community Ed., YMCA, Habitat for Humanity, Community/HOA Board in Battle Ground, WA., Fundraising for local organizations/groups, donating to local kids Rodeo events

Statement Hi, I'm Stacie Prentice Mitchem, and I'm running for School Director, District 1. I'm proud to be part of the very first graduating class of Hockinson High School, and I'm a parent of four kids--three of whom are in our district schools right now. Our family also owns and runs a small business and a farm here in Hockinson, so we're deeply connected to this community.

I've served on our local HOA Board, where I learned about budgeting, working with neighbors, and making decisions that benefit everyone. I want to bring that same approach to the school board.

I believe every child deserves to feel safe, supported, and encouraged to grow in our schools. If I'm elected, I'll work hard to make sure that families and schools work together, that students have great opportunities to learn and prepare for their futures, and that the community's voice is heard.

I'm committed to being transparent and responsible with how we manage our resources. It would be an honor to serve and give back to the district that helped shape me. On November 4th, please vote for Stacie Prentice Mitchem. Let's work together to keep our schools strong and our community thriving.

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#### Hockinson School District No. 98

School Director, District No. 1



#### Teresa VanNatta

**Elected Experience** Currently serving as a Hockinson School Board Director since elected in 2021.

Other Professional Experience Elementary School Teacher, Evergreen School District - 2000 to 2023 Co-Owner/Operator Hockinson Market since 1996

**Education** Master's in Teaching, City

University – 2000; National Board Certified – 2012; Bachelor of Arts, Washington State University - 1998; Associate of Arts, Clark College - 1983

**Community Service** HHS Planning Committee – 2002; Hockinson PWT – 1996-2010; Art Discovery Volunteer, Hockinson Drama Club Chaperone; Hockinson Young Life Camp Counselor, Participated in fundraising and community support: Highland's Little League, Fire District 3, Hockinson Main Street Team, Clark County Food Bank, Share, and Second-Step Housing

**Statement** I'm passionate about supporting our vibrant small town, enriched and energized by its schools. My husband, Jim, and I have been active members of the Hockinson community since 1996. Our three children attended Hockinson schools, and we've seen firsthand how the district's commitment to excellence has positively impacted their lives. Now, as a proud Hockinson grandparent, I want to give back in a meaningful way. That's why I want to continue my volunteer work on the school board—to help maintain the excellence Hockinson is known for.

My experience on the board has deepened my appreciation for how vital our schools are to the community. We are fortunate to have dedicated staff and school leaders who continually pursue improvement for the benefit of all students. Many families move here for our exceptional education; our schools consistently rank among the best in the state. Over the past four years, Hockinson's state (SBA) scores outperformed other districts by 91%, with graduation rates above 95%. Our post-graduation pathways also equip students with essential college or career and technical skills. Hockinson Schools are the heart of our community, and as your school board representative, I'll work to ensure they continue to thrive.

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#### Hockinson School District No. 98

School Director, District No. 2



#### Sherrie Jones

Elected Experience This will be my first elected position; however, I have served in a volunteer capacity on multiple nonprofit and public sector boards and committees.

#### Other Professional Experience

I am currently the Executive Director for the Southwest Washington Contractors Association, and Immediate-Past Chair

of the Development Engineering Advisory Board for Clark County. Previously, I was the Executive Director for Leadership Clark County.

**Education** Attended South Puget Sound Community College

Community Service Current Member of the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Regional Advisory Board, Cascadia Technical Academy Construction Advisory Board, Hockinson High School CTE Advisory Board, and Evergreen Public Schools High School General Advisory.

**Statement** Hockinson is a supportive, community focused district where families of all kinds can thrive. As your representative on the Hockinson School Board, my focus will be funding solutions for our growth, safety for students and staff, and ensuring we prepare students for careers after high school; whether college bound or other. It's essential that our students can see what possibilities exist after high school.

Our schools need improvements to support the growth of the district, however costs to do so continue to increase. I'll work with both community members and our state to find the best funding options for our schools. There are solutions available, we just need to go after them.

Safety is a continued concern and encompasses far more than increased security and lockdown measures, it's anti-bullying and harassment education, and supporting those students who are safest when at school. Safety also includes holding our transportation provider accountable for our children from pick-up to drop-off.

In addition to my student and staff priorities, I will push for additional community engagement and transparency. Members of the community have the right to know what is happening in our schools; our students are the future of our community.

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#### La Center School District No. 101

School Director, District No. 2



#### **Amanda Miller**

Elected Experience Current Director, La Center School Board

Other Professional Experience Local escrow department with a national title company.

Education BA: Government, Eastern Washington University

**Community Service** My dedication to service prompted my decision to pursue

a seat on the La Center School Board in 2023. The past two years of service on the Board have been enlightening; enabling me to see firsthand how a community can come together to significantly impact student outcomes. I firmly believe in the value of fostering a lifelong appreciation for reading. By stewarding a Little Free Library in our neighborhood, I am able to provide free books to our community.

Statement As an alumna of La Center Schools and a parent/aunt of students within the district; I have a strong connection to the quality of education that our district provides. I have served as a School Board Director since 2023 and am dedicated to the mission of our District; to empower students to reach their fullest potential; becoming self-reliant, lifelong learners.

La Center is a unique place; where outstanding teachers, involved parents, dedicated administrators, and engaged community members work together to provide the best opportunities for our children to become productive members of society. I consider it a privilege to serve on the board and appreciate your support.

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## **Local Voters' Pamphlet**

#### La Center School District No. 101

School Director, District No. 3



#### Samuel Glackler

Elected Experience Served on the La Center School Board since February 2024

#### Other Professional Experience

Twenty-two years as a manager at Daimler Truck North America and owner of Exit 16 Brewing

**Education** Bachelor of Science in Business

Community Service La Center Lions Club Membership Officer, La Center Our Days Committee Chair, Clark County Fair Swine Barn Superintendent, La Center Christmas Festival Committee member

Statement I am running for La Center School Director position #3 because I can bring leadership, sound decision-making, and both a business and parent perspective to school district oversight. I have three children currently in La Center schools and have lived in La Center for 15 years.

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#### Mt. Pleasant School District No. 29-93

School Director, Position No. 1



#### Liz Wilber

Statement I am your current Mt. Pleasant School Director #1. I am a school board member because I care about my community and am invested in the education of our children. Mt. Pleasant is one of only forty-three districts in Washington to receive a perfect 4.0 financial health score for the 2022-23 school year. I look forward to continuing my work as a Mt. Pleasant School Director.

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### No Photo Submitted

#### **Rachelle Louise Harding**

**Statement** No information submitted

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#### Mt. Pleasant School District No. 29-93

School Director, Position No. 5

## No Photo

Submitted

#### Sara Genova

**Statement** No information submitted **No contact information submitted** 

#### Ridgefield School District No. 122

School Director, District No. 1



#### Amanda Ronstadt

**Elected Experience** Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience I utilized my teaching certification working first at Fort Vancouver HS, then at Hudson's Bay HS and finally rebuilding a horticulture and FFA program at Columbia River HS.

Education B.A. Biology University of

Montana, M.S. Plant Science and Secondary Science Teaching Certificate University of Arizona

Community Service Following my teaching tenure, I continued to engage with the community volunteering for many City of Ridgefield events. I have reliably volunteered in various capacities at Union Ridge Elementary School since my children became Tater Tots. I have also been a volunteer coach with Pacific Soccer Club for six seasons.

**Statement** Being appointed to this position has been an incredible honor. Earning your vote would mean even more. With two children in the district, I would like to be directly involved in helping our schools reach their potential for current and future generations of Spudders. Our schools are incredible, and I see a future where they continue to grow and become even more than the amazing institutions that they already are. Ridgefield echoes many of the same values that I grew up with: being a good neighbor, pulling together to solve problems, seeking to understand one another in order to strengthen our community. I believe I can represent these values while serving on the school board and help create positive change for our school district. Standing on hundreds of porches across Ridgefield asking the question of how our neighbors feel about the district hasn't always been easy, but it was and continues to be important work to bridge the connection between our schools and the community. I am willing to work to find creative solutions with fellow board directors given the opportunity to continue serving as the district 1 director. Thank you.

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#### Ridgefield School District No. 122

School Director, District No. 4



#### **Donna Farnsworth**

Elected Experience I am currently a Director on the Ridgefield School Board.

Other Professional Experience No Information Submitted

**Education** Bachelor of Science, Airway Science University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, ND; Clark College -**Accounting and Small Business** Management.

Community Service No Information Submitted

**Statement** There have been many positive changes in our school district since I was first elected four years ago. I am looking forward to the next four years as our board continues to practice transparency and put our kids' needs first. Thank you for supporting our district, together we are Ridgefield Strong!

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#### Vancouver School District No. 37

School Director, Position No. 2

#### No Photo Submitted

#### Sandra Zavala-Ortega

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information

submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Vancouver School District No. 37

School Director, Position No. 3



#### **Larry Roe**

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

#### Other Professional Experience

Renewable energy consultant: Paragon Consulting, Fab engineering manager: Intel, Research Chemist: W.R. Grace. Summer work while a student: Warehousing (Teamsters Local 231): Bellingham Cold Storage, Foundry:

Bulmer Manufacturing, Bellingham WA, Orchard and farm worker: Whatcom & Chelan Counties.

**Education** Ph.D. Chemistry: Cornell University, B.Sc. Chemistry: Harvey Mudd College, K-12: Bellingham Public Schools & Western Washington State College.

Community Service K-12 mentor: Washougal H.S., VPS (Lakeshore, Harney, Jason Lee), Portland Public Schools (Skyline, Parkrose, De La Salle North, Roosevelt). Anansi Education: V.P. of a public charity (501(c)(3)) supporting underserved students in Ghana.

**Statement** As the son and grandson of educators, the parent of an educator, and an advocate for public education, I have been disappointed at the direction of management in our school district. Vancouver Public schools has virtually emptied our cash reserves, resulting in a painful layoff of district employees. VPS continues to spend more money on basic education than the state allocates; we have been forced to use our local levy funding to support statemandates, rather than enriching our program. Our school district has one of the lowest financial health scores of any district in the state and we just received a financial warning from the Office of the Superintendent for Public Instruction.

Only three months into this fiscal year, VPS took an early distribution of money from the state in order to have cash for payroll.

These are all predictable results of decisions by our school board.

We need to change. Our students and our educators need the entire community's inventiveness to prepare our children for their future. We need to analyze our options, temper our aspirations, and work together to provide the best education for our children. I ask for your vote to improve our board's performance.

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#### **Wendy Smith**

**Elected Experience** Vancouver Public Schools Board of Directors, 2017 to present

#### Other Professional Experience

23 years in public education, including 21 years as a classroom teacher and two years as a staff assistant

Education Vancouver Public Schools, kindergarten through 12th grade;

Associate of Arts and Sciences, Clark College; Bachelor of Arts, University of Washington; Master of Education, Washington State University Vancouver

Community Service School and community volunteer, political action

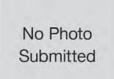
Statement As a Vancouver School Board director, I am committed to making this district one that our community can be proud of: a district that welcomes all students, educates all abilities, and prepares students for every opportunity that comes their way. Over the past few years, we've achieved significant progress, including two new elementary schools, expanded Career and Technical Education programs, and a robust equity policy that has ensured more opportunities for more students.

But as any educator can tell you, our work is never finished. Since joining the board, I've helped lead VPS through many significant challenges. As we navigate the next few years - years that are full of uncertainty – it is more important than ever that our community stays true to our core values: supporting strong public schools that focus time, money, and energy on the potential of all students, no matter their background, strengths, needs, or identity. Now is the time for strong leaders, and as a lifelong resident and product of VPS, the parent of two current VPS students, and a classroom teacher, I assure you my resolve is stronger than ever. I ask for your vote for my re-election to the Vancouver School Board.

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#### Washougal School District No. 112-6

School Director, District No. 2



#### Jane Schmidgall Long

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information

submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Sadie McKenzie

Elected Experience Washougal School Board Director, District 3, President, 2021 to Present

Other Professional Experience Worked as an ADA Dental Assistant for eight years; then as an Executive Secretary for DeWils Industries for six years, prior to becoming a stay-at-home mother to raise two boys.

Education Milwaukie High School Graduated 1993; Concorde Career College - Graduated - ADA Accredited Dental Assisting Program.

**Community Service** I help students at CRGE stay active during Mileage Club. Run the JMS Husky Store, so students can exchange earned Husky Bucks for rewards. I am an active Booster parent and help at many school events. I also enjoy helping at The Stride Run.

**Statement** As a proud mother of two, a long time Washougal resident, and your current School Board President, I am honored to seek re-election to the Washougal School District Board of Directors, District 3. Over the past term, I've worked hard to champion student success, support our teachers and staff, and ensure transparency and accountability in district decisions.

During my term, we've made important strides in academic achievement, expanded career and technical education opportunities, and prioritized the safety and wellbeing of every student. I feel that I bring a balanced, common-sense approach to the board- always listening to families, educators, and community members with respect and a shared goal: putting our students first.

Washougal schools are the heart of our community. I am running for another term to continue advocating for strong public education, responsible budgeting, and thoughtful policies that reflect our values.

With your support, I will continue to work hard for our students, families, and schools. Let's keep Washougal moving forwardtogether because in Washougal, We Show Up!

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#### Washougal School District No. 112-6

School Director, District No. 5



#### **Paul Hooper**

Elected Experience None

Other Professional Experience 20 plus years of corporate experience for Nike; Local Small business owner.

**Education** Washougal High School graduate - class of 1993 Top ten; University of Portland graduate - class of 1997; Bachelors of Science in Biology; National Alumni board member.

Portland State University graduate - class of 2008; MBA with a focus on Managing Innovation and Technology

**Community Service** Volunteer Coach with East County Little League; Supporter of the new Washougal library.

Statement Thank you for reading this - as a longtime resident of rural Washougal, who grew up in the barns, creeks, and working in the hayfields in the area, I am excited to have this opportunity to represent you on the school board. I am a parent with children in the school system, I think it is important for us all to stand up and speak our voices when it comes to guiding the district. As I listen to the community, the big questions that everyone has are around fiscal responsibility, enrollment, and teaching. Where is the money going from all of the taxes that are paid in? How are we not seeing more enrollment with all of the building going on in and around the town? And finally, how do we meet our district goals of increasing test scores when we keep cutting teachers and paraeducators? I don't know the answer to any of these, but I aim to find out and to champion your voice.

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#### **Marie Wodaege**

Statement "Youth Are Our Future Leaders." With 39 years of service at the Washington State Employment Security Department, I have assisted countless individuals in navigating unemployment benefits and securing employment opportunities. My role involved providing essential support to those facing job transitions, ensuring they had access to

the resources and guidance needed to re-enter the workforce.

Having lived in Cowlitz County for 29 years and being married for 37 years, my family and I have deep roots in this community. My children attended Woodland schools for 12 years, giving me firsthand insight into the educational environment and the importance of fostering strong parent-teacher-student relationships.

I am committed to *listening* to the concerns of parents, teachers, and students, responding thoughtfully to questions and feedback, and proactively resolving communication challenges within our schools.

My extensive experience in public service and employment assistance equips me with the skills necessary to advocate effectively for our students and educators. I would be honored to serve on the Woodland School Board and work collaboratively to enhance the educational experience for all. I would appreciate your vote for School Board District 3.

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#### Woodland School District No. 404

School Director, District No. 3



#### Stephen Blum

Statement I have lived in Woodland for nine years and all my children have or still attend Woodland Schools. I am highly invested in our community and am excited about our future. I passionately believe that a quality public education is a fundamental right for all.

My mission is to ensure that every child in Woodland Schools, regardless of

barriers, can have the best education possible and can achieve their full academic potential. One of my children is autistic, so I am keenly aware of the barriers and struggles that can be present.

To that end if elected I will hold teachers and administrators accountable for student success. I will ask the hard questions about why our hard-earned tax dollars should go towards programs and what benefits to expect for students. I will enact policies to balance reliance on technology with time on pencils, paper and textbooks. I will make data driven decisions and ensure the business of Woodland Schools is transparent. I will strengthen community engagement with parents, students and educators by visiting schools and community events and always being available to constituents.

It has been my pleasure to serve our community, and I hope to continue in the future.

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#### Woodland School District No. 404

School Director, District No. 4



#### Trish Huddleston

Statement I am running for a 2nd term on the Woodland School Board because our kids deserve better than the garbage being mandated by the incompetent OSPI & the ruling party of tyrannical democrats.

In my 2nd term I will continue to fight for academic education over ideological indoctrination during this time when our

students can barely read, write or do basic math at grade level.

I will continue to fight for our daughters to keep boys out of girls' sports and their safe, intimate spaces, as there is no such thing as a trans kid - only sick, enabling adults. I will continue to fight for parental rights against the tyrants in Olympia who want to destroy family values and force teachers & staff to lie and keep secrets from them. And I will continue to fight for common sense legislation throughout my work within WSSDA and the district, as I did for the Parents Rights Initiative that the democrats have butchered.

I will do everything in my power to ensure Woodland Public Schools continue partnering with parents, being transparent, fiscally responsible, and focus on academic education so our students will become proud, productive members of society.

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#### Woodland School District No. 404

School Director, District No. 5



#### Tom Guthrie

**Statement** For over 20 years, my wife and I made our home in Woodland and have come to know and love many of the wonderful people in this community. Raising our three daughters here has motivated us to invest our time into the wellbeing of Woodland School District. Through our eldest daughter's graduation from Woodland, our middle child in high school, and our youngest in

middle school, we have cultivated strong relationships with school staff and parents in the community.

It has been my honor to serve on the Woodland School Board for the past five years. During this time, I have gained a deep appreciation for Woodland's quality staff who work together to give students the best education possible. For the next four years, I am committed to expand upon the great work we have already done. I will continue to listen and collaborate with our community to strategize meeting the needs of WSD, within the budget we have, to determine what is best for all of the students and staff at Woodland School District. I do want to thank the community for their strong support of the schools and activities that make our town great! Go Woodland

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#### No Photo Submitted

#### **Larry Bartel**

Elected Experience 12 years Fire Commissioner Clark/Cowlitz Fire Rescue

#### Other Professional Experience

SW Washington representative to the State Fire Commissioner Association; 27 years Fire Chief.

**Education** Bachelor Degree in Business University of Washington; Fire Science Associate Degree Portland Community

College; Executive Fire Officer National Fire Academy.

Community Service No Information Submitted

Statement Tax Incremental Financing does not pass the straight

Tax Incremental Financing, which the state passed in 2021, is stealing both your votes and the money you voted for maintaining and improving your fire and EMS. Under this law, cities, counties, and port districts can form a Tax Incremental Area (TIA) and take the tax money you voted for maintaining and improving your fire and EMS and instead spend it on roads, sewer, parks, water, and other infrastructure projects.

For example, in 2025 the new \$21,810,600 Costco, which lies within a recently created, TIA, will pay \$43,059 in fire and EMS taxes. While their tax statement shows this money going to your fire department, only \$4,365 goes to your fire department. The other \$38,894 goes to the TIA to pay off bonds for up to 25 years. This law takes the votes of over 20,000 fire district voters and allows as few as two elected officials to override these voters' wishes, spending their money instead on repaying bonds on projects not related to maintaining and improving their fire and EMS.

I will continue to fight to recover your money and work to correct this flawed state law.

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#### Clark-Cowlitz Fire Rescue

Commissioner, Position No. 4



#### David L. Town

Elected Experience In 1985 i joined CCFD 12 as a volenteer in 1989 was appointed as Fire commissioner and served until 2001, than was elected in 2013 and have proudly served since.

Other Professional Experience No Information Submitted

Education No Information Submitted **Community Service** No Information Submitted

Statement As a current fire commissioner I continue to look out for the best intrerest of the tax payer. In 2021 the State of Washington passed a law RCW39.114.020(2) ,that would allow cities, counties and ports to create a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) area that would allow Ports, Cities and Counties to take future Public Safety dollars (Fire EMS) and spend the monies on roads and sewers without the vote of the tax payer. I think this is wrong. Currently the Port of Ridgefield and the City of Ridgefield have TIF's in place and over the next 25 years could take over 60 million dollars out of the fire districts budget with only the vote of the Port Commissioners or City councilors. These monies would have been budgeted for future stations, replacement equipment and new man power to staff the new stations, but because of the TIF's that monies will be spent on roads , sewers and other improvements or how every the City or Port see fit. As fire commissioner I will fight hard to rectify this injustice.

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#### East County Fire & Rescue

Commissioner, Position No. 2

## No Photo

Submitted

#### **Eric Holt**

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience** No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### East County Fire & Rescue

Commissioner, Position No. 5



#### **Brendan Addis**

Elected Experience Commissioner for **ECFR** 

#### Other Professional Experience

Habitat Conservation Specialist. Experience as a private business owner, regional manager for private company, work with various government and nonprofit agencies. Background with an understanding of both labor operations

and professional management.

Education MS Oregon State University, Environmental Science; BA Portland State University, History and International Studies.

Community Service Commissioner, East County Fire and Rescue; former Chair of Clark County Clean Water Commission; former Executive Board member Vancouver Watershed Alliance.

**Statement** It has been my honor to serve our region as Commissioner with East County Fire and Rescue and I am dedicated to continuing that service with the support of my community members. As Commissioner I vote with two priorities in mind for every decision: 1. That quality service in protection of the wellbeing and property of our citizens is provided, 2. That our first responders are supported and that ECFR is an effective, efficient, and sustainable district.

Some key areas I will be advocating over another term include: continued support of policies for operational effectiveness, financial management of public funds and opportunities to bring support to our community, wildland fire prevention practices and preparedness, cooperation with our regional partners in public safety, and ongoing support of our ECFR personnel.

I welcome emails from my fellow citizens with any questions or concerns, and I would be proud to continue in service to our community as your Fire Commissioner.

Thank you

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#### Fire Protection District No. 3

Commissioner, Position No. 1

### No Photo Submitted

#### Jon A. Couture

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Fire Protection District No. 3

Commissioner, Position No. 3



#### Shane A. Bowman

Elected Experience Battle Ground City Council 2012-present. Mayor 2014-15, Deputy Mayor 2012-13, 18-19, 24-present. Discovery Clean Water Alliance. Fire District 3 Commissioner - appointed August 2024-present.

Other Professional Experience Small business owner for more than 27 vears. Eagle Scout.

**Education** Brigham Young University Idaho.

Community Service Founding member of the Battle Ground Festivals Committee (Harvest Days). Cascadia Tech Foundation Board member, Cascadia Tech Fire Science Advisory Board. Youth sports coach.

Statement I am seeking your vote for Fire Commissioner because I believe in protecting our community through strong leadership, accountability, and a commitment to public safety. As a long-time resident, I understand the importance of having a well-equipped, well-trained, and responsive fire department.

If elected, I will prioritize firefighter safety, ensure responsible use of taxpayer funds, and support ongoing training and updated equipment to keep our department operating at the highest level. I will work closely with department leadership, listen to community concerns, and promote transparency in all decisions.

My goal is to strengthen the department's ability to respond quickly and effectively to emergencies while building trust between the fire service and the public. I will be a hands-on commissioner who values communication, teamwork, and service.

With your support, we can ensure our fire department continues to meet the growing needs of our district. Thank you for your consideration.

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#### Fire Protection District No. 5

Commissioner, Position No. 2



#### **Roy Rhine**

**Elected Experience** Elected Commissioner of CCFD5 starting in 2008. I've served on the Washington State Fire Commissioner Association Legislative Committee several years. I was appointed by then Governor Gregoire to the Fire Safety Committee, providing Governor Gregoire direction on fire safety matters.

Other Professional Experience US Marine Veteran; Retired Sergeant Washington State Patrol 1985-2012; Retired Police Commander-City of Ridgefield 2012-2019; Officer-WA State Liquor and Cannabis 2021-2025; 12 years Peer Support-Critical Incident Response; Small Business Owner.

**Education** 2-years Clark College: Administration of Justice: Hazardous Material Incident Management.

Community Service Volunteer Firefighter 10 years; CCFD4, CCFD5, City of Vancouver

**Statement** Your safety and the safety of our firefighters is my highest priority. Partnerships and teamwork are essential in keeping you safe and ensuring all our firefighters and paramedics go home at the end of their shift. In partnership with Vancouver Fire Department, we've achieved realistic performance measures ensuring firefighters and paramedics arrive timely and with the necessary resources to deliver exceptional public safety services to you. Since elected, we've paid off all debt in the district. We operate the CCFD5 Training Center providing new and ongoing emergency medical training and specialized education to the residents of the community and the professionals who live, work and play in our region. We stabilized our authority in Washington State law through the legislature to teach classes that serve to reduce the incidence of injury and harm on calls firefighters may respond to. We acquired land and in partnership with VFD, built Station 11, staffed with new firefighters and apparatus. Together, we have acquired resources to respond to emergencies locally and regionally. These resources benefit you and our neighbors through mutual aid responses. Thank you for the opportunity to continue serving you. I would appreciate your vote.

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#### **Chris Pfeifer**

Elected Experience Current Clark County Fire Protection District NO. 6 Commissioner, Position NO. 2 and for the past 5 years

Other Professional Experience Current Captain / EMT Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue, Career Firefighter for over 24 years

**Education** Graduate of Hudson's Bay High School, Associate of Applied Science Degree in Fire Protection Technology from Portland Community College, Bachelor of Science in Fire Services Administration from Eastern Oregon University

Community Service Volunteer at Vancouver Public Schools (Felida Elementary), Eagle Scout-Boy Scout Troop 320, Vancouver, WA, Volunteer for Santa's Posse

Statement It has been an honor to serve as a Fire Commissioner for Clark County Fire District 6. Over the last 5 years, we have been financially responsible, while meeting the needs of a growing community. We have increased staffing and partnered with our neighboring agency to provide around the clock service at our jointly operated Fairgrounds Fire Station. We have expanded our ability to provide a fast and effective emergency response, by adding additional apparatus to our fleet, including an aerial ladder truck and ambulance. I would like to thank the men and women represented by IAFF Local 452, our administration, support staff and volunteers, who tirelessly strive to provide excellent service. I look forward to continuing Fire District 6's dedication to excellence in protecting and serving our community. I thank you for your continued support.

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#### Fire Protection District No. 10

Commissioner, Position No. 1



#### **Gary A Hagedorn**

Elected Experience I have served as a Fire Commissioner for Clark County Fire District #10 for eight years.

Other Professional Experience I worked for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a National Wildlife Refuge Manager for 39 years. I managed National Wildlife Refuges in Montana, California, Washington, and Oregon before retiring in 2007.

Education I received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Wildlife Biology from Washington State University in 1970 and am a certified Wildlife Biologist through the Wildlife Society.

Community Service I am a member of Fargher Lake Grange and have served as an officer in various service organizations such as Kiwanis and Booster clubs.

**Statement** I was born and raised in North Clark County before leaving for military, education, and National Wildlife Refuge assignments in Montana, California, Oregon, and Washington. I returned home to the family farm in 2014.

I look forward to continuing my service to friends and neighbors of North Clark County through effective preparedness of emergency response resources and with a conscious awareness of being responsible to the taxpayers of the district.

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#### **Ronald Homola**

Elected Experience Yacolt's town Council 2021- 2024

**Other Professional Experience** 

Education High school diploma- Battle **Ground High School** 

Community Service Where needed.

**Statement** Seeking Fire Protection

District 13, Comm., Position 1 for an encouragement and help to the community. Along with helping on the Yacolt town council, I also was appointed to the North Country EMS Board 2021-2024. With my experience on the North Country EMS board, and working closely with Fire district 13 personnel, I have learned what is important to the community along with the long term vision of the district to continue to help the citizens with their unique needs.

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#### Cemetery District No. 1

Commissioner, Position No. 2



#### Jeanette Jester

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience** No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### No Photo Submitted

#### Heidi Zimmerman

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted

Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Cemetery District No. 4

Commissioner, Position No. 3

### No Photo Submitted

#### Sam Arola

**Elected Experience** No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Cemetery District No. 5

Commissioner, Position No. 2

#### No Photo Submitted

#### **Bruce Summers**

Elected Experience No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience** No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted

Community Service No information submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Cemetery District No. 6

Commissioner, Position No. 2

#### No Photo Submitted

#### **Dale Venema**

Elected Experience No Information Submitted

**Other Professional Experience** No Information Submitted

**Education** No Information Submitted

Community Service No Information Submitted

Statement I have served as a

Commissioner for Clark County Cemetery District Six for over 20 years. During that time I have been the visionary for many projects within our four pioneer cemeteries, including building stone gates at Highland Cemetery, establishing a designated area for infant burials in the Crawford Cemetery, constructing a reflecting area at the Lewisville Cemetery, as well as countless other improvements throughout the years. My aim is to continue to ensure that the district's cemeteries consistently remain at their best, as our neighbors come to grieve and celebrate their loved ones who have passed.

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#### Clark Regional Wastewater District

Commissioner, Position No. 1



#### Leah Lothspeich

Elected Experience None

Other Professional Experience

Currently employed as a Computed Tomography/Radiography Technologist for Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center Previously served as Public Information/Education Officer for Clark County Fire District 6 - Provided Administrative Services for Tidewater

Education Associate of Science in Radiography, Portland Community College - Computed Tomography Certification -National Fire Academy Public Information Officer Program. Emmitsburg, Maryland - First Responder Emergency Medical Certification - Community Emergency Response Team Trainer

Community Service Santa's Posse Board of Directors - Hazel Dell Parade of Bands Committee - American Cancer Society Relay for Life, West Vancouver Committee - People's Community Credit Union Board - Parent/Teacher/Student Association

**Statement** Service to our community has been an important part of my life. With your support, I would like to continue that service as your next Clark Regional Wastewater Commissioner. To prepare for this important position, I have been attending Board meetings on a regular basis. Learning about the overall operations of the District (budgeting, strategic planning, capital projects, pump station and treatment plant operations, and their dedicated employees), has been educational. I have enjoyed learning about the duties and responsibilities of the Board of Commissioners and would like to be a part of that oversight team. Outgoing Commissioner Neil Kimsey's dedication to the community has also been part of my inspiration in taking this step. As a CRWWD Commissioner, I would be responsible for providing an outside perspective to ensure that the District continues to provide cost effective, customer-focused service to the community. CRWWD should also remain an active partner in Clark County to support economic development while managing and protecting water resources. I would encourage the CRWWD to enhance public awareness and education of the District and its services. I would appreciate your support in providing a fresh outlook for the Board and the District.

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#### Clark Regional Wastewater District

Commissioner, Position No. 1



#### Daniel "Dan" Clark

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

Other Professional Experience 40 years Wastewater treatment plants and collection system operations and maintenance experience. 20 years Wastewater treatment and collection operations and maintenance manager City of Portland Oregon. 12 years

member of state of Oregon Wastewater Operator Certification Committee. Member of board of Directors Oregon Association of clean Water Agencies. 7 year voting member of the Water Sector Security Council representing large west coast utilities providing guidance to the Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Homeland Security and office of the President of the United States.

**Education** Dual AS degrees in Wastewater and Water quality technology.

Community Service Youth soccer coach, High school mock interview mentor.

**Statement** Protecting the environment and public health has been my life work. Protecting the critical infrastructure that does that work is essential for growth and economic development. Without a well run Wastewater Collection and Treatment system development will come to a halt and the environment will be negatively impacted. I have developed the skills, abilities and knowledge that as Commissioner are most valuable in providing general oversight and control over the District's finances. Planning is key to making that all work together in a timely manner. My work experience directly correlates to the District's efforts with local, state and federal agencies as well as elected officials at all levels of government. Collaboratively developing budgets and operating plans. My experience is far reaching and comprehensive making me uniquely qualified to fill the roll as Clark Regional Wastewater District Commissioner.

Being a small business owner for 43 years in Clark County has provided me that extra wealth of knowledge in navigating obstacles that the economy and government regulations can put forward at times including City annexation at two locations. Since 2008 I have been closely monitoring the District by attending the majority of the Board meetings offering my thoughts of action at hand.

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#### Camas-Washougal Port District

Commissioner, District No. 1



#### **Dave St Clair**

**Elected Experience** No Information Submitted

#### Other Professional Experience

Managing Director, Technology, Deloitte (retired) where I led global teams in Tax, Finance and HR systems.

Education I earned both a B.S. and M.S. in Electrical Engineering from the University of Oklahoma, graduating with Distinction.

**Community Service** Washougal Citizens Academy; Empty Bowls Camas; Canine Companions, Pilot; FAA Eliminate Aviation Gasoline Lead Emissions subcommittee member; Camas Washougal Aviation Association; Washington Pilots Association; Cirrus Owners and Pilots Association (COPA), Board Director; COPA Pilot Magazine, Editor; Airplane Owners and Pilots Association, Airport Support Representative, Grove Field.

**Statement** I bring a unique combination of executive leadership, business acumen, and deep community engagement to the Port of Camas-Washougal. As a Managing Director at Deloitte, I led global teams and complex technology initiatives— experience that translates directly to overseeing strategic projects and infrastructure investments at the Port.

For the past three years, I regularly attended and participated in Port meetings and strategic planning sessions, giving me clear insight into the Port's mission: enhancing the community's quality of life by bringing jobs, infrastructure and recreation opportunities to East Clark County through environmentally and socially responsible investments. I've worked closely with Port leadership, gaining hands-on understanding of its priorities and operations.

As your Commissioner, I will focus on improving the marina and airport in close collaboration with the community, driving long-term job creation across all Port sectors, and ensuring the successful implementation of the Port's 2025 strategic plan. I will also work to build strong partnerships with local businesses and agencies, so we can grow together and invest wisely in our shared future.

With a strong record of leadership, collaboration, and results, I am committed to responsible stewardship and a prosperous future for the Port and our community.

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#### Camas-Washougal Port District

Commissioner, District No. 1



#### **Bradley D. Richardson**

Elected Experience None

#### Other Professional Experience

Executive Director, Clark County Historical Museum; Payroll and Human Resources Specialist, North Sky Communications; Part-Time Supervisor and Assistant to the Regional Manager, **United Parcel Service** 

Education M.A. in Public History,

Portland State University; B.A. in History, Washington State University Vancouver; A.A., Clark College; Camas High School Graduate

Community Service Past President, Vancouver Rotary Club (2018– present); President, Washington Museum Association Board of Trustees (2020–present); Incoming Board Chair, Humanities Washington (2019–present); Commissioner and Chair, Vancouver Culture, Arts & Heritage Commission (2021-present)

**Statement** From our mill-town history to the diverse economy we're building today, the Port of Camas-Washougal thrives when we plan and act with purpose. I grew up here, attended local schools, and now I'm raising my family in our community. I'm running for Port Commissioner to ensure our next chapter is rooted in smart planning, long-term development, and strong community partnerships. With decades of experience serving our region, I've built strong relationships and a deep understanding of the private and public sectors—experience I will use to advocate for you.

Jobs for Generations. I'll connect Industrial Park tenants with local schools, trade programs, and colleges to align education with the skills needed for family-wage jobs.

Smart Growth at Grove Field. I'll support stakeholder-driven planning that helps Grove Field thrive, not just survive.

Honoring Our Heritage. By preserving landmarks like Historic Parkersville and enhancing waterfront recreation, I'll promote heritage-driven tourism and economic growth. I'm committed to transparency, community engagement, and partnerships that reflect our shared priorities. Let's build a future that respects our past and delivers for generations to come. A vote for Brad Richardson is a vote for a strong Port.

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#### Camas-Washougal Port District

Commissioner, District No. 3

#### **Larry Keister**

#### No Photo Submitted

Elected Experience Commissioner, Port of Camas Washougal 2017 to Present.

Other Professional Experience Member of the Columbia River Economic Development Committee. Board of Directors of the Regional Transportation Council alternate representing the three Clark County Ports. U.S.Forest Service Bi-State

Recreational Insight Committee. Retired from the Portland Veterans Administration Medical Center; United States Marine Corps, Vietnam Veteran.

**Education** Pacific Lutheran University, Portland State University.

Community Service Member of the Camas Washougal Rotary. U.S. Forest Service Volunteer, Peregrine Falcon Restoration Project in the Columbia River National Scenic Area. Friend of the Columbia Gorge Volunteer.

**Statement** In 2007 I was involved with the development of the Port of Camas Washougal waterfront trail. My goal was to protect the public access to the Columbia River and development of the park and green space. The vision was to connect the Port property to Washougal downtown. As our community grows I have focused on well planned growth with the Port providing facilities for jobs, while enhancing our quality of life. The Port has made significant changes to our focus on industrial land. The development of Hyas Point will provide a mixed use destination for our local citizens and visitors to retail, restaurants, office space and residential options. This development was done with the input of citizens and focused on complementing downtown Washougal. Projects like Hyas Point require strong partnerships. I have worked to develop business and professional relationships with both Camas, Washougal, our school districts, and citizens. I will continue to develop these relationships as we move forward to provide a community we will be proud to call home . I am looking forward to representing our community and continuing the continuity and direction of the Port of Camas Washougal.

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#### Ridgefield Port District

Commissioner, District No. 2

### No Photo Submitted

#### **Scott Hughes**

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

**Education** No information submitted Community Service No information

submitted

Statement No information submitted

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#### Vancouver Port District

Commissioner, District No. 3



#### **Temple Lentz**

**Elected Experience** Clark County Council, District 1 2019-2022; Clark County Freeholder, 2013-2014.

Other Professional Experience President/CEO, The Historic Trust, 2022-Present; Business Director, The Heather DeFord Group, Cascade Sotheby's International Realty; Owner/ Partner, High Five Media; Executive

Director, Clark County Parks Foundation.

**Education** BA, University of Chicago; Masters Organizational Leadership, Claremont Lincoln University.

Community Service Chair, WA Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board; Secretary, WA Trust for Historic Preservation; Vancouver Lodging Tax Advisory Committee; Regional Transportation Council; Regional Disaster Preparedness Organization; Clark County Commission on Aging; Accomplished & Under 40 Recognition 2014; Iris Award for Women's Leadership 2017.

**Statement** The Port of Vancouver isn't just a gateway to the world-it's our community's economic heartbeat, providing good jobs, key innovations, and crucial connections for our residents. With a clear record of public service, a commitment to making sensible decisions to benefit our community, and a strong voice for accountability, I have shown myself to be a leader who will work collaboratively to represent the entire community-and I ask for your vote to do so as the next Port of Vancouver Commissioner.

Washington is one of the most trade-dependent states in the nation, and our Port needs steady, strong leadership to retain our advantages during uncertain times. Since every business at the Port represents the opportunity to bring a well-paying job to our community, I will work with Port and business leadership to maintain the thriving businesses we have and build new relationships to bring more growth and meaningful employment to our region. I will also work with Port leadership to ensure that our Port maintains its commitment to protect and even improve the air, land, and water as it continues to be an economic powerhouse for our community-a place where everyone wants to do business.

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#### City of Vancouver

#### **Proposed Charter Amendment No. 13**

#### **Concerning Voting Districts and City Council Member Elections**

The Vancouver City Council adopted Resolution M-4339 proposing an amendment to the City Charter concerning the creation of voting districts and City Council member elections. If approved, this amendment would require City Council to appoint a districting commission to divide the City into four geographic voting districts of roughly equal population and would require that four City Council members be elected from the district in which they reside and that two City Council members and the Mayor be elected at large in a citywide election.

Should this amendment be approved?

To vote, use your official ballot.

#### STATEMENT FOR

Every Charter Review Commission this century has recommended districts; however, this *question has never been sent to the people until now.* 

We support the charter amendment for a city council with four districts (one councilor in each) and two councilors elected citywide. Districting is good governance and supported by the National City League model, and every recent charter review commission. It creates the opportunity for residents to be better represented by the people they elect, particularly in a city that is experiencing rapid growth -- approaching 200,000 residents.

We need a governance model that represents everyone. We believe this option makes serving on Council more accessible for residents who are juggling full time work, parenting, or other responsibilities equally important to governing our city. Running for office would be less onerous and less costly to people from all walks of life. Districted city councilors will have a greater opportunity to engage with all residents in their district. In addition, councilors could be your neighbor, a member of your house of worship or a volunteer at your children's school.

Frankly, our city is too large to only have at-large city councilmembers, which is why we support this hybrid approach.

Statement for and rebuttal of statement against submitted by:

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#### **REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST**

The "Against" falsely claims that voters are limited to voting for only one city councilor! Fact: this amendment allows you to vote for two at-large councilors, your district councilor, and the mayor. Thus, each voter picks *Four* of the seven sitting on the dais. Councilors must live within city limits, and a district councilor is elected from within your district. *All voters deserve a district representative as their point of contact on council.* 

#### City of Vancouver

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Currently the City Charter requires all members of the Vancouver City Council and the Mayor to be elected Citywide without regard to districts. This proposal would amend the Charter and require the City Council to appoint a districting commission to divide the City into four geographic voting districts of roughly equal population. Following the creation of these voting districts, and after a two-year transition period beginning in 2027, four City Council members would be elected from the district in which they reside and two City Council members and the Mayor would be elected at large in a citywide election.

#### STATEMENT AGAINST

Charter Amendment No. 13 attempts to fix an issue that doesn't exist. Vancouver's current at-large system has worked effectively, with councilmembers already responding to the needs of both individual neighborhoods and the city as a whole. There is no evidence that our elected officials are unable to understand or respond to the needs of individual communities under the current system. This proposal would divide our city unnecessarily and reduce every voter's voice by limiting them to just one council district race instead of voting for all representatives.

Even more troubling, the amendment does not require a councilmember to reside in the district they represent. Unlike other cities with district-based systems, Vancouver's proposed charter would allow a councilmember to move out of their district and still remain in office. This undermines the very premise of district representation—how can someone effectively advocate for a district they no longer live in? If districts are meant to strengthen geographic accountability, this proposal weakens it.

Furthermore, implementing a district-based system introduces additional administrative burdens and long-term costs. Redistricting, public outreach, voter education, and the potential for legal disputes over district boundaries will all require taxpayer resources. At a time when many residents are already concerned about rising costs and government inefficiency, this measure adds more complexity without delivering clear benefits.

Rather than fixing what isn't broken, Vancouver should focus on real issues that impact our community. This charter amendment falls short of meaningful reform and should be rejected by voters.

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#### **REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR**

The National League of Cities does not endorse district systems; its report only outlines governance models and tradeoffs. Unlike Houston, Dallas, or San Antonio, Vancouver already offers stronger representation, with seven times more councilmembers per resident. Work-life balance claims are misleading—a district councilmember would still face the same meetings, preparation, and responsibilities as an at-large member. This proposal divides the community while providing no meaningful improvements for residents or city government effectiveness.

#### City of Vancouver

#### **Proposition No. 5**

#### Police and Public Safety Services Levy Lid Lift

The Vancouver City Council adopted Resolution M-4346 concerning a levy lid lift to fund police and public safety. If approved, this proposition would fund police and public safety services, including additional police officers, equipment, and criminal justice system costs by increasing Vancouver's regular property tax levy by approximately \$0.15/\$1,000 assessed valuation (AV), for a maximum regular property tax levy rate not to exceed \$2.47/\$1,000 AV for collection in 2026. The 2026 levy amount will be the basis to calculate subsequent levies, per RCW 84.55. Qualifying seniors, veterans, and others would be exempt, per RCW 84.36.

Should this proposition be approved?

To vote, use your official ballot.

#### STATEMENT FOR

Vancouver is growing rapidly, but our police staffing has not kept pace. Washington State ranks last in the nation for officers per capita, and Vancouver operates the second-lowest-staffed police department among Washington cities with over 100,000 residents. Since 2017, calls for service have risen 24%, response times have increased, and roughly 3,200 cases go uninvestigated annually. Many residents now hesitate to call for help with "minor" issues — not because problems have vanished, but because they fear no one will respond.

Proposition 5 is a timely, necessary step forward. It would add up to 13 sworn officers in various ranks, provide equipment and vehicles consistent with modern policing standards, and fund justice system costs to support them. By increasing staffing, the levy would reduce reliance on mandatory overtime, helping improve officer wellness, retention, and performance, while ensuring more consistent police coverage across the city.

Recruiting and training officers takes time; delaying action will make solving the problem harder and more expensive.

The proposal amounts to just \$6.50 a month for a home valued at \$500,000 or about the same as a cup of coffee. This is a big return on a small investment. When our police department is equipped with the right personnel, tools, and community support, everyone thrives — families, seniors, children, and businesses. We must prioritize the well-being of those who protect us. Public safety is a collective responsibility that requires our unwavering support. Together, we can ensure a brighter and safer future for Vancouver.

Statement for and rebuttal of statement against submitted by:

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#### **REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST**

Proposition 5 addresses Vancouver's most urgent public safety needs: funding more officers, equipment, and criminal justice system costs. This proposal is a modest, focused investment to address our acute staffing shortages and public safety needs. Supporting public safety is not a "burden," but a shared responsibility. Stronger public safety now creates a stronger foundation for long-term improvements. For safer neighborhoods, businesses, and community, a Yes vote on Proposition 5 is the responsible choice.

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#### City of Vancouver

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Washington law authorizes cities to seek voter approval to increase, or "lift", the regular property tax limit. If approved, this proposition would increase Vancouver's regular levy by approximately \$0.15/\$1,000 assessed value (AV) for a maximum rate of \$2.47/\$1,000 AV in 2026, and would fund police and public safety services, to include additional officers, equipment, and other criminal justice costs. The 2026 levy amount would be the basis to calculate subsequent levies. The estimated 2026 impact of this proposition for a home assessed at \$500,000 would be an additional \$75. Qualifying seniors, veterans, and others would be exempt from the increase.

#### STATEMENT AGAINST

A Call for Fiscal Responsibility: Why Vancouver Should Reject Proposition 5 Vancouver residents face Proposition 5, a permanent tax increase for police services. While public safety is a priority, this measure is a flawed and fiscally irresponsible approach. Instead of providing a comprehensive solution, it offers a permanent tax without a complete plan. Here are the critical reasons to vote *No* on Proposition 5:

#### A Permanent Tax Burden

This levy is a *permanent increase* to property taxes. Vancouver families and businesses are already struggling with inflation and rising costs. This measure would add an estimated \$75 annually for a \$500,000 home—a permanent burden with no expiration date.

#### An Incomplete Public Safety Plan

Proposition 5 proposes hiring more officers but fails to address the entire criminal justice system. The plan overlooks the need for increased capacity in the Clark County courts and jail, which will create a "logjam." This bottleneck could prevent arrests from leading to convictions, potentially forcing early releases and failing to make our community safer.

#### Demand Accountability and Transparency

The city has not demonstrated a responsible use of its current funds. Recent tax increases have not solved problems with crumbling roads or homelessness. Before asking for more money, the city must audit its departments, eliminate wasteful spending, and prove it can manage its existing budget transparently. *Vote No on Proposition 5*. Let's demand real solutions and fiscal accountability from our city leaders.

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#### **REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR**

Proposition 5 is proof of failed leadership. City Hall demands permanent, compounding taxes while roads collapse, homelessness explodes, and waste runs unchecked. They promise safety but ignore the courts and jails required to deliver it, guaranteeing chaos and early releases. Vancouver residents are stretched thin, yet politicians keep reaching deeper into our pockets. Enough is enough. Don't reward broken promises and incompetence with a blank check. Demand accountability. Vote *No* on Proposition 5.

#### Cities of Camas and Washougal

#### **Proposition No. 2**

#### **Creation of Camas-Washougal Regional Fire Protection Service Authority**

The City Councils of the City of Camas and the City of Washougal have adopted Joint Resolution No. 25-011; 1258 approving the Regional Fire Authority Protection Service Plan ("Plan") concerning the creation of a Regional Fire Protection Service Authority ("RFA") under RCW 52.26.

This proposition would approve the Plan and create an RFA to be known as the Camas-Washougal Fire Authority, effective September 1, 2026, to provide fire protection and emergency medical services in the City of Camas and the City of Washougal. The RFA would be funded by property tax (\$1.05 per \$1,000 of assessed value).

Shall the registered voters residing within the cities of Camas and Washougal approve the formation of a Regional Fire Protection Service Authority and approve the Plan proposed by the cities of Camas and Washougal?

#### To vote, use your official ballot.

#### STATEMENT FOR

Protect Lives, Protect Our Future – Yes on the RFA

When you call 911, you want to know help is coming — fast, well-equipped, and ready. The Regional Fire Authority (RFA) guarantees every dollar you contribute goes directly to fire and EMS.

Funding for the Camas-Washougal Fire Department flows through two separate city budgets, competing with other priorities. That has led to decades of underinvestment, with engine crews staffed with only two firefighters — the same as in 1989 — despite law requiring at least three on scene to make a rescue. The industry standard is four. Call volume has jumped 36% since 2012, yet our system hasn't kept pace. Without the RFA, there is no "status quo" — the cities will have to separate services, resulting in higher costs, fewer shared resources, and slower response times.

The RFA will become a separate agency with dedicated revenue, protected from cuts for unrelated projects. Every dollar given to the RFA will be for the RFA to support hiring more firefighters to meet the 3-person crew standard, eliminating ambulance co-pays, and purchasing and maintaining vital equipment. Both cities will lower property tax rates by the full amount used to fund CWFD, offsetting part of the RFA's \$1.05 per \$1,000 tax rate.

The RFA is a proven governance and funding model in Washington that ensures stability and gives firefighters the resources they need. Public safety is a shared priority. The RFA keeps our fire/EMS funding where it belongs — serving you in an emergency.

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#### **REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST**

The opposition's argument makes the case for the RFA. They criticize Camas' handling of revenues, yet the RFA is the solution: a separate agency, a dedicated revenue stream and governance accountable to both cities. This guarantees funds go only to fire and EMS, not diverted elsewhere. Without an RFA, the cities will have to form their own fire department, costing taxpayers more and decreasing efficiency. The RFA is the *solution* to their concerns. Vote Yes!

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#### Cities of Camas and Washougal

#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Camas and Washougal have jointly approved a plan to merge the CWFD into a Regional Fire Protection Service Authority which is allowed under RCW 52.26 to consolidate services with the intent to provide enhanced service delivery. If approved, the Camas-Washougal Fire Authority ("CWFA") will be effective September 1, 2026, operate under a 6-member governing board initially filled by Council members of both cities, and be funded by a property tax not to exceed \$1.05/\$1,000 of assessed value to be collected in 2027. The CWFA property tax will replace a portion of both cities' existing lawful property tax levies.

#### STATEMENT AGAINST

We all support our firefighters, they put their lives on the line every day. But Proposition 2 is a bad deal for taxpayers and a step backward for trust in our city government.

If approved, the RFA will impose a new property tax for fire and EMS services of \$1.05 per \$1,000 assessed value while Camas keeps \$0.17 of the \$0.88/\$1000 you already pay for fire. That's double taxation: paying a new agency for fire while the city keeps part of the old fire tax and diverts it to other spending.

When a city transfers a service to a separate district, it should reduce its levy by the full amount previously dedicated to that service. Many Washington cities have done so. Camas refuses, turning a service transfer into a permanent tax hike. The math is clear: for the average Camas home (\$731,772), annual property taxes rise by about \$249, a 12.9% increase for fire services we already have. The city admits the first-year levy reduction could disappear after year one, meaning costs will climb even higher.

Our city has been flagged by the Washington State Auditor for financial oversight failures three years in a row. In 2021, they promised a utility tax for fire equipment that voters passed—yet not a dime reached the fire department. Support firefighters with *real* fiscal responsibility. Stop rewarding city financial mismanagement. They *can* fix the budget problem without double taxation. Say No, Vote No.

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#### **REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR**

A Yes vote rewards City Hall's fiscal mismanagement without fixing the root problem. Our fire service already delivers strong results, and while a three-person crew could modernize staffing, it isn't legally required. Proposition 2 just adds new taxes, letting the city continue diverting taxpayer funds from essential services. Demand real financial accountability and prioritize our core services before approving new taxes—don't let this measure mask City Hall's ongoing budget failures. Vote No.

#### Port of Camas-Washougal

#### **Proposition No. 1**

#### **Port Commissioner Terms**

The Board of Commissioners of the Port of Camas-Washougal adopted Resolution No. 4-25 concerning the length of Port Commissioner terms of office. If approved, this resolution would extend the term of Camas-Washougal Port Commissioner from four (4) years to six (6) years.

Should this proposition be approved?

To vote, use your official ballot.

#### STATEMENT FOR

Having a strong, sustainable, and involved port is important for every community. Consistency in commissioners is vital for community relationship building, sustainable visioning and project management, and to maintain important institutional knowledge that helps large scale decisions to be made in the best way possible. It's beneficial to have leadership that is familiar with what is involved in all port processes and projects, and to have strong relationships in the community to have projects come to fruition in the most robust and complete ways.

Because of the above reasons, we are proponents of extending our port commissioner terms to six years. With six year terms, there is more consistency in the knowledge of the long term projects that are so important to the functioning of our port. With six year terms, two of the commissioners would remain stable during any election cycle, maintaining institutional knowledge and relationships that are vital to the economic development of Camas and Washougal.

90.7% of all ports in Washington are already run by three commissioners serving six year terms. In smaller towns and port districts such as Camas/Washougal, it can be more difficult to recruit interested people as candidates and having six year terms helps with sustainability in this important work.

The Port of Camas-Washougal provides vital assets and economic development to our community. We ask for your support for six year terms for our port commissioners so they can work to create even greater strength, consistency and sustainability for Camas and Washougal.

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#### **EXPLANATORY STATEMENT**

Washington's 75 port districts are independent government entities. Most are governed by three commissioners serving six-year terms. The Port of Camas-Washougal is one of seven districts statewide where commissioners serve fouryear terms, resulting in two-thirds of Commissioners running for re-election at times, potentially draining institutional leadership and knowledge. If passed, this Proposition extends the Port of Camas-Washougal Commissioner terms to six years. Rejection retains the current four-year commissioner terms.

No person within the jurisdiction volunteered to write a statement against the ballot measure and therefore, no statements were submitted for:

STATEMENT AGAINST

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST

**REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR** 

#### City of Vancouver — Proposed Charter Amendment No. 13

#### Resolution No. M-4339

A RESOLUTION to submit to the voters of the City of Vancouver a proposal to add Section 2.19 requiring the City Council to appoint a Districting Commission to divide the city into four voting districts of roughly equal population, have districted council candidates elected within their own district for both the primary and general elections, have two council candidates elected at-large, city-wide, and have the Mayor elected city-wide.

WHEREAS, the 2024 Charter Review Committee held seven meetings between October 2023 and April 2024, to review proposed amendments to the City Charter and included as one of their recommendations a shift to election by districts; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council created a districting subcommittee to consider the election by district recommended amendment more thoroughly; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council conducted multiple discussions on the proposed election by districts charter amendment; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed hearing on the 9th day of June, 2025 and voted to submit the proposed amendment to the Charter below to the voters.

#### NOW. THEREFORE.

#### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

**Section 1.** That the following amendment adding Section 2.19 requiring the City Council to appoint a Districting Commission to divide the city into four voting districts of roughly equal population, have districted council candidates elected within their own district for both the primary and general elections, have two council candidates elected at-large, city-wide, and have the Mayor elected city-wide, ("Proposed Charter Amendment No. 1") be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Proposed language to be added is shown by underline.)

#### New Section 2.19. Election of Councilmembers; Councilmember Districts.

#### A. General

- a. The Council will be apportioned and elected as follow:
  - i. The Mayor will be elected city-wide.
  - ii. Two (2) Councilmembers will be elected city-wide.
  - iii. Four (4) Councilmembers will be elected from within geographically distinct districts.
- b. General municipal elections are held in November in oddnumbered years.
- c. For purposes of this section, residence in an area annexed to the city shall be deemed residence within the city.

#### B. Election by District

- a. Councilmembers and candidates for city council shall be residents of the district they represent or seek to represent.
- b. If a Councilmember elected to represent a district continues to live in the City but moves out of their district, they will remain the councilmember for that district until the next municipal election.
- c. Only voters residing in a district at the time ballots are distributed by the Clark County Auditor are eligible to vote for the Councilmember representing that district.

#### C. Districting Plan

- a. A Districting Plan shall be maintained by the City and contain detailed maps and descriptions of the district boundaries and other relevant data necessary for implementation.
- b. Revisions to the Districting Plan shall be made by a Districting Commission, consistent with applicable state law and this Charter.
- c. The Districting Plan shall be revised within three hundred and sixty-five (365) days of the release of census block level data of each federal decennial census, unless more frequently as directed by this Charter.
- d. The Districting plan shall be based on the most recent federal decennial census, together with additional population estimates that the Districting Commission deems reliable.
- e. Revisions to the Districting Plan shall take effect at the first possible municipal primary election more than one hundred fifty (150) days after ratification by the Council.
- f. Any territory annexed to the City of Vancouver shall, at the time of such annexation, be added to an adjacent district or districts by an ordinance of the Council.
- g. Council districts shall be as equal in population as practicable. In no case shall the most populous district exceed the population of the least populous district by more than ten percent.
- h. In the event that any existing voting precinct established by the Clark County Auditor is located partly within two or more Council Districts, the Districting Plan shall be modified to assign the entire precinct to the Council district in which the largest number of voters within the precinct reside.
- i. If data becomes available, including the adoption by the Council of an annexation, that the population of the most populous district exceeds that of the least populous by more than ten percent, a new Districting Commission shall be appointed by the Council, following the process outlined in this Charter, to develop a new Districting Plan between decennial censuses.
- j. The Districting Plan, shall be based on the following guidelines:
  - <u>Districts should preserve identifiable communities of interest.</u>
  - ii. <u>Districts should be geographically compact and populous contiguous territory shall not be bypassed to reach distant populous areas.</u>
  - iii. <u>Districts should be composed of contiguous territory</u> with reasonable access between population centers in the district.
  - iv. <u>Districts should not be drawn for purposes of protecting incumbents.</u>
  - v. <u>Districts should be bounded by natural boundaries, such as by street lines, by neighborhood association boundaries, or by other geographic or political boundaries.</u>
  - vi. <u>Districts should be drawn to promote demographic and economic diversity on the Council.</u>
- k. The draft Districting Plan shall be made public by the Commission on or before June 1 of the convening year. The Commission shall hold public hearings in each of the proposed districts.

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#### Resolution No. M-4339

- I. The final Districting Plan shall be adopted by the Districting Committee on or before October 1 of that year.
- m. Within thirty (30) days after adoption by the Districting Commission, the Council must either ratify the Districting Plan without modification or amendment except to correct data errors upon request by the Districting Commission or return once it to Districting Commission for further consideration. The Districting Commission then has thirty (30) days thereafter to adopt a final Districting Plan for Council ratification.

#### D. <u>Districting Commission</u>

- a. <u>Districting Commission members must be appointed on or before January 31 of the convening year.</u>
- b. <u>Districting Commission members shall serve until the Council has ratified the revised Districting Plan.</u>
- c. One (1) member of the Districting Commission and one (1) alternate shall be nominated by the Mayor, and four (4) members shall be nominated by the remainder of the City Council, from those applying upon a determination of reasonable geographic representation among the applicants. Commissioners are selected at-large, city-wide.
- d. Commission members shall have been a resident of the City of Vancouver for at least two years and shall demonstrate a general knowledge of the neighborhoods and geography of the city.
- e. No person may serve on the Commission who, at time of appointment, is an elected official (except precinct committee officer), or a City of Vancouver employee. The Council shall ratify each member of the Districting Commission by simple majority.
- f. Two city staff members, including one city GIS employee, will be assigned to the Districting Commission.
- g. The Districting Commission shall appoint its own chair and vice chair during its first meeting of each cycle.
- h. A majority of Commission members shall constitute a quorum, and decisions shall be made by a consensus of at least three votes.
- The Districting Commission, in compliance with this Charter and state law, will set its own rules to complete the Districting Plan.

#### E. <u>Transition</u>

- a. The Districting Commission shall prescribe, as part of the 2026 Districting Plan, a system by which the current Council seats will convert to the new election system.
- b. At the 2027 election there shall be elected one (1) atlarge councilmember and two (2) councilmembers to non-contiguous districted positions, and every four years thereafter. At the 2029 election there shall be elected the Mayor, one (1) councilmember at-large and two (2) councilmembers to non-contiguous districted positions, and every four years thereafter.
- c. The initial districting plan shall be based on the 2020 federal decennial census, together with additional population estimates that the Commission deems reliable.
- d. Council members elected or appointed at-large prior to the November 2027 municipal general election shall continue in office until the terms to which they were elected or appointed expire as provided by law.
- e. Section 2.19.E shall be automatically stricken from the Charter of the City of Vancouver after the completion of

#### the 2029 General Election.

- The Clark County Auditor, as ex officio supervisor of elections in Clark County, is hereby requested to submit Proposed Charter Amendment No. 1 to the November 4, 2025, general election ballot.
- 3. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to take those actions necessary to submit Proposed Charter Amendments No. 1 before the voters at the November 4, 2025, election.

**ADOPTED** at regular session of the Council of the City of Vancouver, this 9th day of June 2025.

<u>Prior to the adoption of the final districting plan and district</u> <u>boundaries the Commission shall conduct public hearings in each of</u> the four proposed districts.

#### City of Vancouver — Proposition No. 5

#### Resolution No. M-4346

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Vancouver, Washington, providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Vancouver at the November 4, 2025, General Election of a proposition authorizing the City to increase its regular property tax levy above the limit established in chapter 84.55 RCW to fund police and public safety services; requesting the Clark County Auditor to place the proposition on the November 4, 2025, ballot; and approving matters properly related thereto.

WHEREAS, community growth and the associated 24% increase in call volume for police services from 2017-2024 has resulted in a decline in police response times; and

WHEREAS, a growth in demand for police services has strained investigative capacity of detectives such that nearly 3,200 cases go uninvestigated each year; and

WHEREAS, during 2023, Vancouver Police Department staff identified the necessary additional operating resources needed to increase the ability of the department to more effectively respond to the public safety needs of the community, and to build capacity to proactively engage the community in pre-emptive strategies to prevent threats to community safety, and worked with other City departments to estimate the cost of these additional resources; and

WHEREAS, the city manager convened in 2024 and 2025 a community advisory committee on policing to review and advise on identified needs and recommendations from the police department and to formulate a recommendation on potential investments in police capacities; and

WHEREAS, operating demands citywide necessitate an additional sworn staff of approximately twenty-five (25) commissioned/sworn full-time employees (FTEs) in a range of ranks and assignments, and approximately ten (10) non-sworn/non-commissioned FTE positions, related support costs and equipment; and

WHEREAS, the community advisory committee on policing recommended moving forward with a three-part funding approach, which would include a council-initiated sales tax, state grants, and a permanent single-year levy lid lift property tax measure; and

**WHEREAS**, additional police staffing will likely result in additional costs to the criminal justice system and will be eligible for this funding; and

WHEREAS, Washington State law limits the annual increase of a city's regular property tax levy amount to 1% plus an allowance for new construction unless the voters of a city approve the collection of regular property taxes in a greater amount; and

WHEREAS, the City's 2025 general regular property tax levy is approximately \$2.14 per \$1,000 of assessed value. This rate does not include the affordable housing property tax levy ("Proposition 3") that is authorized by RCW 84.52.105 and was approved by the voters on February 14, 2023. The statutory limit for the City's general regular property tax levy is \$3.325 per \$1,000 of assessed value; and

WHEREAS, RCW 84.55.050 provides for the levy of regular property taxes in an amount exceeding the limitation specified in chapter 84.55 RCW if such increased levy is authorized by a ballot proposition approved by a majority of the voters at an election held with the taxing district (a "levy lid lift"); and

WHEREAS, the City Council deems it necessary to submit to the voters of the City a levy lid lift proposition of whether or not the City shall levy regular property taxes for collection in 2026 in excess of the limit factor provided for in RCW 84.55.050(1), which amount would then be used as the basis to calculate subsequent levy limits pursuant to chapter 84.55 RCW; and

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2025, the City Council deliberated on the desired size of the levy increase and selected \$0.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value as the levy rate increase to put before the voters during the general election to be held on November 4, 2025;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

**Section 1. Findings.** The Council hereby adopts and incorporates by reference the above recitals as findings. The Council further finds that the best interests of the residents of the City require the City to fund police and public safety services, including but not limited to, the following investments:

- Add up to thirteen (13.0) Full Time Equivalent (FTE) sworn police officers in a range of ranks and assignments;
- Fund the acquisition and maintenance of law enforcement equipment and vehicles consistent with both current and future standards;
- Fund additional prosecution and criminal justice system costs, as determined by City Council; and
- Fund necessary administrative and staffing costs in other City of Vancouver departments to support the investments outlined above

The programmatic expenses above are to be limited by sustainable new revenue and appropriated through the City's regular budgetary process.

The City Council shall determine the timing, order and manner of funding police and public safety services and the use of levy lid lift proceeds, including those investments described above, as part of the budgeting process. The cost of all compensation, benefits, training, support services, equipment, technology, vehicles, legal and other professional services, administrative expenses, and other direct and indirect costs incurred in connection with the police and public safety services shall be deemed a part of the costs of such police and public safety services. The City Council may alter, make substitutions to and amend such components as it determines are in the best interests of the City and consistent with the police and public safety services purposes described herein.

# **Section 2.** Calling of Election Regarding the Levy of Additional Property Taxes. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Vancouver, Washington a proposition regarding whether the City shall levy regular property taxes above the levy limitations established in RCW 84.55.050 and RCW 84.55.010 for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held on November 4, 2025. The Clark County Auditor, as ex officio supervisor of elections in Clark County, is hereby requested to call and conduct the election referenced on such day and to submit to the qualified electors of the City for their approval or rejection a proposition to (a) increase the City's regular property tax levy by approximately \$0.15 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in addition to the regular annual levy inflationary increase, to a total maximum regular property tax rate not to exceed \$2.47 per \$1,000

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of assessed valuation for collection in 2026, as allowed by chapter 84.55 RCW. The above amount does not include the separate affordable housing property tax levy ("Proposition 3") that is authorized by RCW 84.52.105 and was approved by the voters on February 14, 2023. The 2026 levy amount will be used as the basis to calculate subsequent levy limits pursuant to chapter 84.55 RCW.

The total maximum regular property tax levy rate of not to exceed \$2.47 per \$1,000 of assessed value includes banked capacity from the Fire and Emergency Services Levy Lid Lift ("Proposition 2") that was approved by the voters on February 8, 2022. By including the banked capacity resulting from Proposition 2 in such maximum regular property tax levy, the City intends to preserve this capacity for use consistent with the purposes and use limitations of Proposition 2.

The taxes authorized by this proposition will be in addition to the maximum amount of regular property taxes the City would have been allowed to levy within the limitations provided for in RCW 84.55.010 in the absence of voter approval under this resolution plus other authorized lid lifts. Thereafter, such levy amount would be used to compute limitations for subsequent years as allowed by chapter 84.55 RCW. For the sake of clarity, the maximum regular property tax levy rate referenced in this Section 2 excludes the City's voter-approved affordable housing levy which shall be levied separately from the regular levy authorized herein.

Upon approval of the voters of the proposition set forth herein, the City may use proceeds of such levy lid lift to pay the costs of police and public safety services as set forth in Section 1 of this resolution.

**Section 3.** Exemption. If the ballot proposition set forth herein is approved by the voters, as authorized by RCW 84.36.381, senior citizens, disabled veterans, and other qualifying individuals (as defined in RCW 84.36.381) shall be exempt from the tax increase resulting from such levy lid lift.

**Section 4.** <u>Ballot Proposition.</u> The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed as required by law, to certify a proposition to the Clark County Auditor, as ex officio supervisor of elections in Clark County, Washington, in substantially the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 5

CITY OF VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES

LEVY LID LIFT

The Vancouver City Council adopted Resolution  $\underline{\text{M-4346}}$  concerning a levy lid lift to fund police and public safety.

If approved, this proposition would fund police and public safety services, including additional police officers, equipment, and criminal justice system costs by increasing Vancouver's regular property tax levy by approximately \$0.15/\$1,000 assessed valuation, for a maximum regular property tax levy rate not to exceed \$2.47/\$1,000 for collection in 2026. The 2026 levy amount will be the basis to calculate subsequent levies, per RCW 84.55. Qualifying seniors, veterans, and others would be exempt, per RCW 84.36.

Should this proposition be approved?

YES	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	Ц
NO										

For purposes of receiving notice of the language of the ballot proposition required by RCW 29A.36.080, the City Council hereby designates: (a) the City Clerk (Natasha Ramras), telephone (360) 487-8484; email: <a href="mailto:natasha.ramras@cityofvancouver.us">natasha.ramras@cityofvancouver.us</a>; and (b) the City Attorney (Nena Cook) telephone: (360) 487-8503; email: <a href="mailto:nena.cook@cityofvancouver.us">nena.cook@cityofvancouver.us</a>; as the individuals to whom such notice from the Auditor should be provided. The City Attorney and the City Clerk are each authorized individually to approve changes to the wording of such proposition as may be recommended by the Clark County Auditor and the Clark County Prosecuting Attorney, as long as the intent of the proposition remains clear and consistent with the intent of this resolution.

Section 5. Voters Pamphlet. To the extent that a local voters' pamphlet and/or online voters' guide ("Voters' Pamphlet") will be produced for the November 4, 2025 election, the Voters' Pamphlet shall include an explanatory statement to be prepared according to state and local requirements, and arguments advocating approval and disapproval of the ballot measure, if any. Pursuant to RCW 29A.32.280, the arguments advocating approval and rejection of the ballot measure shall be prepared by committees appointed by the City Council. Each committee shall be composed of not more than three persons; however, a committee may seek the advice of any person or persons. The committee advocating approval shall be composed of persons known to favor the ballot measure, and the committee advocating rejection shall be composed of persons known to oppose the ballot measure. Should the City Council not appoint the persons to each Committee by the time required by law, the Clark County Auditor shall appoint said committees.

**Section 6.** <u>Severability.</u> If any provisions of this resolution shall be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be contrary to law, then such provision shall be null and void and shall be deemed severable from the remaining provisions of this resolution and shall in no way affect the validity of the other provisions of this resolution or of the levy or collection of the taxes authorized by this proposition.

**Section 7.** Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect and be in full force immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

**ADOPTED** at a Regular Meeting of the Vancouver City Council this 4th day, of <u>August</u>, 2025.

#### Cities of Camas and Washougal — Proposition No. 2

Resolution No. 25-011 and Resolution No. 1258

A JOINT RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Camas, Washington, and the City Council of the City of Washougal, Washington, providing for the submission to qualified electors of the City of Camas and the City of Washougal, at the general election to be held on November 4, 2025, of a proposition that, pursuant to Chapter 52.26 of the Revised Code of Washington, approves a plan to form a Regional Fire Protection Authority to be known as the Camas-Washougal Fire Authority within the boundaries of the City of Camas and the City of Washougal, effective September 1, 2026.

#### **RECITALS**

- A. The ability and demands to respond to emergency situations by fire protection and emergency medical service agencies has increased and progressed with community needs and special service demands. Providing an effective fire protection and emergency medical service system requires a collaborative partnership and responsibility among local and regional governments and the private sector.
- B. There are efficiencies that can be gained by regional fire protection and emergency medical service delivery, while maintaining local control.
- C. The City of Camas ("Camas") and the City of Washougal, ("Washougal") have had a long-standing cooperative partnership, striving to provide the highest level of fire and emergency medical services to their citizens within the confines of available resources. This cooperative partnership began in the 1970s with the provision of a regional ambulance service and culminated with an interlocal agreement in 2014, which provided for a consolidation of services as the Camas Washougal Fire Department, with Camas providing services to Washougal. While this cooperative relationship has served the public well for many years, as a result of the needs of a growing community and demands for enhanced fire and EMS services, Camas and Washougal have determined that it is in the public interest to place a measure before the voters that if approved would result in the formation of a Regional Fire Authority (RFA).
- D. Pursuant to RCW 52.26.030 and 52.26.040 the cities of Camas and Washougal formed an RFA Planning Committee to evaluate the feasibility of creating a new and separate regional fire authority to provide the fire protection and emergency services within the boundaries of Camas and Washougal. The members of the Planning Committee included three City Council members from Camas and three City Council members from Washougal. Over a period of several months, the Planning Committee met and created a Regional Fire Authority (RFA) Plan ("Plan") providing for the governance, design, financing, and development of fire protection and emergency services.
- E. The Planning Committee held its final meeting on October 16, 2024, and recommended approval of the Plan to the Camas City Council and Washougal City Council. The Camas City Council and Washougal City Council met in joint work session on November 6, 2024, to review the recommended Plan. By adoption of this Joint Resolution, the Plan is formally adopted and certified to the ballot pursuant to RCW 52.26.060 by both the City of Camas and the City of Washougal. Copies of the Plan are available from the administrative offices of the City of Camas and the City of Washougal.
- F. Authority to form a RFA is authorized by Chapter 52.26 RCW. Chapter 52.26 RCW requires that in order to form an RFA, the

Plan must be approved by the voters of the area affected by the Plan. Therefore, in accordance with the Plan and state law, the Camas City Council and the Washougal City Council placed before voters within the proposed service boundaries of the RFA at a special election held on April 22, 2025, a proposition calling for the creation of a RFA which shall be known as the Camas-Washougal Fire Authority to be funded by a \$1.05 per \$1,000 assessed value property tax levy and the approval of the Plan, all in accordance with state law.

- G. The result of the April 22, 2025, special election indicates that the RFA Plan was not approved by participating voters.
- H. On January 29, 2024, Camas and Washougal executed a MODIFICATION AND CONDITIONAL EXTENSION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITIES OF CAMAS AND WASHOUGAL FOR THE FORMATION AND OPERATION OF THE CAMAS-WASHOUGAL FIRE DEPARTMENT DATED DECEMBER 4, 2013
- Item #1 of the Modification and Conditional Extension provides that "...the parties bind themselves to place the RFA Plan on the ballot for April 2025 and, if necessary, for November 2025."
- J. Therefore, in accordance with the Modification and Conditional Extension, Plan and state law, the Camas City Council and the Washougal City Council have determined that it is appropriate to place before voters within the proposed service boundaries of the RFA at the general election to be held on November 4, 2025, a proposition calling for the creation of a RFA which shall be known as the Camas-Washougal Fire Authority to be funded by a \$1.05 per \$1,000 assessed value property tax levy and the approval of the Plan, all in accordance with state law.

**NOW THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMAS, WASHINGTON, AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASHOUGAL WASHINGTON, AS FOLLOWS:

#### **RESOLUTION**

<u>SECTION 1.</u> - Adoption of Plan for the Camas-Washougal Fire Authority. The City Council of the City of Camas and the City Council of the City of Washougal hereby formally adopt the 2025 Regional Fire Authority (RFA) Plan. A true and correct copy of which is attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> and incorporated by this reference.

**SECTION 2.** - Findings of Camas City Council and Washougal City Council. The City Council of the City of Camas, Washington, and the City Council of the City of Washougal, Washington, hereby adopt each of the recitals above as findings and further find that it is in the best interest of the City of Camas and the City of Washougal to submit to the qualified electors of the City of Camas and the City of Washougal at the general election to be held on November 4, 2025, a proposition to adopt the Plan that creates a RFA which shall be known as the Camas-Washougal Fire Authority, which if approved will be funded by a property tax not to exceed \$1.05 per thousand of assessed value. If approved by a majority of the total persons voting on the ballot measure within the boundaries of the authority in accordance with RCW 52.26.060, effective September 1, 2026, this proposition would create a RFA as provided in Chapter 52.26 RCW with boundaries coextensive with the boundaries of the City of Camas and the City of Washougal.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> - <u>Proposition for Voter Submittal.</u> There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Camas and the

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City of Washougal for their approval or rejection, at the general election on November 4, 2025, the question of whether or not the RFA known as the **Camas-Washougal Fire Authority** should be created in accordance with the Plan and funded with the real property tax levies referenced above. The City Council of the City of Camas and the City Council of the City of Washougal hereby request that the auditor of Clark County, as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, call such election and submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

#### **PROPOSITION NO. 2**

The City Council of the City of Camas and the City Council of the City of Washougal have adopted a Joint Resolution approving the Regional Fire Authority Service Plan ("Plan") concerning the creation of a Regional Fire Protection Authority ("RFA").

This proposition would approve the Plan and create a Regional Fire Authority to be known as the Camas-Washougal Fire Authority, effective September 1, 2026, to provide fire protection and emergency medical services in the City of Camas and the City of Washougal. The RFA would be funded by property tax (\$1.05 per \$1,000 of assessed value).

Shall the registered voters residing within the cities of Camas and Washougal approve the formation of a regional fire authority (RFA) and approve the RFA Plan proposed by the cities of Camas and Washougal?

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No	

**SECTION 4.** Without further action of the Camas City Council and the Washougal City Council the ballot proposition language set forth in Section 3 above may be revised to correct scrivener's errors and to conform with statutory requirements.

SECTION 5. - Pro and Con Committee Appointments. The Camas City Council and the Washougal City Council hereby assign to the Joint Policy Advisory Committee the task of appointing members to a committee to advocate voters' approval of the proposition and to a committee to prepare arguments advocating voters' rejection of the proposition.

**SECTION 6.** - Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Resolution is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

**SECTION 7.** - Ratification. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this Resolution is hereby ratified and affirmed.

**SECTION 8.** - Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage.

**SECTION 9.** - Triplicate Originals. Three originals of this Resolution are signed by the City of Camas and the City of Washougal.

PASSED at a regular or special open public meeting by the City Council of the City of Camas, Washington, this 21st day of July, 2025.

**PASSED** at a regular or special open public meeting by the City Council of the City of Washougal, Washington, this **14th** day of **July, 2025.** 

#### Port of Camas-Washougal – Proposition No. 1

Resolution No. 4-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF CAMAS WASHOUGAL, WASHINGTON, REGARDING A BALLOT MEASURE PROPOSING TO LENGTHEN THE PORT COMMISSION TERM TO SIX YEARS.

**WHEREAS,** SB 5370, adopted by the Washington State Legislature, amends Chapter 53.17 RCW to allow a process for qualifying Ports to modify Port Commissioner terms from four years to six years.

**WHEREAS**, the process to lengthen the port commissioner term requires a ballot measure to be submitted to the voters of the port district proposing to lengthen the port commission term to six years.

WHEREAS, the ballot measure may be initiated either by a Port commission resolution or by a petition containing the signatures of voters of the port district equal in number to at least ten percent of the number of voters in the port district voting at the last general election; and

**WHEREAS**, if the process is initiated by voter petition, the petition must be submitted to the county auditor for signature verification.

WHEREAS, if such a petition contains sufficient valid signatures, or if a port commission passes a resolution supporting placing before the voters a ballot proposition to lengthen port commissioner terms, that ballot proposition must be submitted to the voters at the next general election that occurs sixty or more days after the adoption of the resolution or submission of the petition.

**WHEREAS**, if a simple majority vote of the voters voting on the proposition approves the ballot proposition lengthening the terms of office, the commissioner elected at that election is elected to a six-year term of office. The terms of office of the other commissioners are not lengthened.

WHEREAS, if two commissioners are elected in that election or the next subsequent general election, the commissioner elected who receives the highest number of votes is elected to a six-year term of office and the other commissioner is elected to a four-year term of office. Thereafter, each successor commissioner is elected to six-year terms.

WHEREAS, the prior to the Port Commission's consideration of and vote on this Resolution, affecting a ballot proposition, the Port (a) issued proper notice of this meeting which included the titles and ballot numbers of these propositions, and (b) afforded members of the public and the individual Commissioners with an approximately equal opportunity for the expression of an opposing view all pursuant to RCW 42.17A.555; and

WHEREAS, the Port Commission finds that port commissioners establish long-term strategies for a port district, and create policies to guide the development, growth, and operation of the port. Port Commissioners are also responsible for a port's annual budgets, approving tax levy rates, and hiring the professional staff members responsible for a port's daily functions.

WHEREAS, the Port Commission finds that six-year terms, already used in most port districts, provide stability, ensure continuity for long-term infrastructure and economic development projects, and maintain institutional knowledge, especially in mid to smaller communities where it may be difficult to recruit candidates.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF

COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF CAMAS-WASHOUGAL AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The Port Commission hereby endorses a ballot proposition be placed before the port district voters proposing to lengthen the port commissioner terms to six years.
- The Port Commission directs that this Resolution be filed with the Auditor for the purposes of submitting such a ballot measure to the voters of the port district.

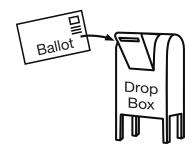
**Adopted** by the Port Commission of the Port of Camas-Washougal at a regular meeting thereof held this 30th day of July, 2025.

#### How is my ballot counted?

#### Your county receives your ballot



Deposit your ballot in an official drop box by 8 p.m. on Election Day, or return your ballot by mail — postage paid — but make sure it's postmarked by Election Day! Don't let a late postmark disqualify your ballot. The USPS recommends that you mail it back at least one week before Election Day.



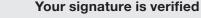






Election staff will contact you before your ballot is processed if:

- Your signature is missing
- Your signature doesn't match your voter registration record





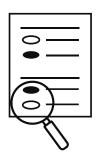
Your signature is important and we need it to accept your ballot. The signature on your return envelope is compared to the signature on your voter registration record. If the signature matches, your ballot is accepted and you are credited for voting to ensure **only one** ballot is counted for you.



#### **Envelopes and sleeves are separated**

The return envelope is opened and the secrecy sleeve containing your ballot is removed. They are separated to ensure the secrecy of your vote.







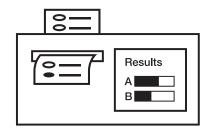
#### Your ballot is reviewed and scanned

The ballot is removed from the secrecy sleeve and election staff verify that it can be successfully scanned. Each voting system is certified and tested before every election.



#### Your ballot is counted

After 8 p.m. on Election Day all scanned ballots are tallied. Ballots will be scanned and tallied over the next several days until all the votes are counted. Every county conducts a post-election audit.



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#### **Before an Election**

# Voting systems certification and testing



Ballot counting equipment is tested and certified by an independent testing authority and the State of Washington.

Voting systems are not connected to the internet.

# Pre-election audit: logic & accuracy tests

Before every election, counties test their voting systems to make sure the machines are correctly set up and accurately counting votes.

# Voter registration database

Washington's statewide voter registration database is constantly maintained and updated as voters become registered, move, change their name, pass away, or are no longer eligible to vote.

All eligible voters are automatically mailed ballots. Only one ballot per voter is accepted.

# Contact your local county elections office to learn more



sos.wa.gov/county-elections-offices

#### **During an Election**

#### **Paper ballots**

Voting on paper ballots allows election officials to audit results of an election after votes are counted.

#### Signature verification

Trained election officials compare your signature to your voter registration file to confirm your identity and eligibility.

If your signature is missing or doesn't match, your ballot is "Challenged" and you are notified. Once your signature is verified, your ballot status will update to "Accepted".

#### **VoteWA**

Check the status of your ballot at VoteWA.gov. Once your ballot status is updated to "Accepted," your ballot will be opened and scanned. Only one ballot per voter is accepted.

#### **Chain of custody**

Ballots are sealed in secure, tamper-evident containers and at least two staff are present whenever your ballot is handled.

## Scanning and tabulation

Ballot scanners and vote counting machines are physically secured in locked rooms. Election staff sign in and out each time the room is opened, and always in groups of two or more.

#### After an Election

# Random batch audits

Your local election officials hand count randomly selected precincts or ballot batches and compare those numbers to the voting system totals to make sure the vote counting machines counted correctly.

### Random ballot audits

Your local election officials examine a statistically significant, randomly selected sample of ballots to help ensure the reported outcome is correct.

### Full ballot reconciliation

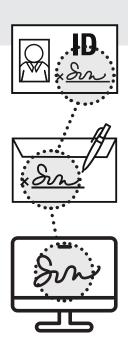
Your local election officials keep detailed records of the steps taken to process each ballot or group of ballots, creating an audit trail.

A final report at the end of the process includes a summary of the ballots received and counted.

#### Why is my signature important?

# Your signature is needed to make sure your ballot gets counted.

- The signature on your return envelope is compared to the signature on your voter registration record. Trained election officials are responsible for verifying each and every signature.
- If your signature is missing or does not match your voter registration record, the county elections office will contact you by mail before results are certified. They may call or email if you gave them this info.
- If you registered to vote online or through Department of Licensing, the signature from your driver's license, permit, or state ID will be on your voter registration record.
- Voters can track and check their ballot status at VoteWA.gov.



#### How do I know if something is true?

When reviewing online or printed information, think about:

- Who made this, and who is it for?
- Why did they make it?
- When was this made?
- What makes it believable?
- How might other people read this message?
- Ask the experts Get trusted info from your county auditor or elections office. Consult a fact-checking site or ask an official source.







#### What does this mean?

#### **Certification Day**

The date when election results are finalized by state or county officials.

#### **Logic and Accuracy Test**

A test completed before each election to ensure the accuracy of voting equipment.

#### **Nonpartisan Office**

An elected position in which candidates do not state a political party preference and candidates for the office are not officially associated with a political group. Office appears on the ballot as "Nonpartisan."

#### **Partisan Office**

An elected position in which candidates may state their preferred political party. A candidate may also choose "States No Party Preference." Their preference is printed on the ballot.

#### **Postmark**

A postmark indicates the location and date the Postal Service accepted custody of a ballot. Ballots must be postmarked by Election Day to be accepted. Placing your ballot in a mailbox on Election Day does not guarantee a postmark of the same day.

#### **Post-election Audit**

A test completed before the certification of results to ensure the security and accuracy of the voting system. Counties perform a post-election audit each election.

#### **Term Type**

How much of a term a candidate will be serving for an office. It is split into regular, unexpired, and short-and-full.

#### **Voter Registration Database**

The official list of registered voters maintained in every state to conduct safe and secure elections. Our database in Washington is known as VoteWA.

#### **Voting Center**

A county-run facility where you can receive voting assistance from trained elections staff. Some services include registering or updating voter information, requesting and returning a ballot, or finding an accessible voting unit.

#### **Voting System**

Ballot counting equipment that must be tested by an independent testing authority and certified by the state of Washington before it can be used.

#### **Your Voting Information**

#### **Use VoteWA.gov to:**

- Register to vote at 18 or sign up as a Future Voter as early as 16
- Check or update your voter registration information
- View a list of your elected officials
- Contact your county elections office
- View your personalized Voter Guide
- Print a replacement ballot
- Find an official ballot drop box
- Check the status of your ballot
- Sign up for text notifications





Sign in to **VoteWA.gov** to access your customized voting information.

#### **Teachers: Classroom Activity**



The Student Mock Election is a non-partisan, educational event that teaches kids to be informed voters. Over 500,000 students have participated in Washington's annual Student Mock Election since 2004.

- Students vote on candidates and measures, just like they will in the future.
- Participants learn about the unique vote-by-mail elections process used in our state.
- Non-partisan and free to all public, private, tribal, and homeschool K-12 students.

#### Free resources for educators:

 Teacher toolkit includes print-friendly Voters' Pamphlet, lessons from Teaching Elections in Washington State curriculum book, posters, and coloring sheet.

Visit sos.wa.gov/mockelection for more info.

Want to be notified of the next Student Mock Election? Scan with your smartphone camera to sign up.



#### **New Washington resident**

Welcome! Register to vote online, by mail, in person, or when you get your new driver's license, permit, or ID at the Department of Licensing. You may not vote in more than one place, so cancel your previous voter registration.



#### Military or overseas voter

Register to vote anytime on or before Election Day. You may receive your ballot by mail, email, or fax. Spouses and dependents also away from home have the same voting rights.



#### **College student**

Register to vote using either your home or school address, but you may not vote in more than one place. Your ballot can be mailed to you anywhere in the world; however, your residential address must remain in Washington.



#### Non-traditional address voter

Use any physical location you consider your residence such as a shelter, park, or marina. Your mailing address can be general delivery at a local post office, a PO Box, or an address of a trusted friend or relative. A federally recognized tribe may designate tribal government buildings to serve as residential or mailing addresses for voters living on tribal lands.

#### Seasonal resident

Vote in Washington even if you're away during an election.
To ensure you receive your ballot, update your mailing address at **VoteWA.gov** or with a county elections office. Your ballot can be mailed to you anywhere in the world; however, your residential address must remain in Washington. You may not vote in more than one place.



Your right to vote is automatically restored once you're no longer serving a sentence of total confinement in any state or federal prison, including for federal or out-of-state felony convictions.

Register to vote upon your release from prison. Even if you were previously registered to vote, or voted before your felony conviction, you will need to re-register to receive a ballot.



#### How do I read measure text?

Language in double parentheses with a line through it is existing state law; it will be taken out of the law if this measure is approved by voters.

#### ((sample of text to be deleted))

Underlined language does not appear in current state law but will be added to the law if this measure is approved by voters.

sample of text to be added

# Complete Text Senate Joint Resolution No. 8201

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN LEGISLATIVE SESSION ASSEMBLED:

THAT, At the next general election to be held in this state the secretary of state shall submit to the qualified voters of the state for their approval and ratification, or rejection, an amendment to Article XXIX, section 1 of the Constitution of the state of Washington to read as follows:

Article XXIX, section 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 5, and 7 of Article VIII and section 9 of Article XII or any other section or article of the Constitution of the state of Washington, the moneys of any public pension or retirement fund, industrial insurance trust fund, ((or)) fund held in trust for the benefit of persons with developmental disabilities, or fund to provide for longterm care services and supports for eligible seniors and

people with disabilities may be invested as authorized by law. Investment income from a fund to provide for long-term care services and supports for eligible seniors and people with disabilities is dedicated to long-term services and supports for program beneficiaries.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this amendment is a single amendment within the meaning of Article XXIII, section 1 of the state Constitution.

The legislature finds that the changes contained in this amendment constitute a single integrated plan for the fund to provide long-term care services and supports for eligible seniors and people with disabilities. If this amendment is held to be separate amendments, this joint resolution is void in its entirety and is of no further force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the legislature, pursuant to its authority under RCW 29A.36.020(3), specifies the ballot title and concise description shall read "The legislature has proposed a constitutional amendment on allowing money in Washington's long-term care fund to be invested. This amendment would allow the state fund dedicated to providing long-term care benefits for eligible seniors and people with disabilities to be invested as authorized by law.

Should this constitutional amendment be:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause notice of this constitutional amendment to be published at least four times during the four weeks next preceding the election in every legal newspaper in the state.

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#### If I am a victim of a crime, can I vote safely?

#### Keep your voting address confidential

You may be able to enroll in the Address Confidentiality Program (ACP) and register as a Protected Records Voter if you are:

- · A survivor of domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, stalking; or
- A criminal justice participant, election official, or protected health care worker who is a target for harassment.

To become a Protected Records Voter:

- You meet with a Certified Advocate who can assist with threat assessment, safety planning, and the program application.
- The best time to enroll is when you move or are planning to move to a location that is unknown to the offender and undocumented in public record.

Call 1 (800) 822-1065 or visit sos.wa.gov/acp.



#### **County Elections Offices**

#### **Adams County**

210 W Broadway Ave, Ste 200 Ritzville, WA 99169 (509) 659-3249 elections@co.adams.wa.us

#### **Asotin County**

135 2nd St Asotin, WA 99402 (509) 243-2084 dmckay@asotincountywa.gov

#### **Benton County**

7122 W Okanogan Pl, Bldg F Kennewick, WA 99336 (509) 736-3085 elections@co.benton.wa.us

#### **Chelan County**

350 Orondo Ave, Ste 306 Wenatchee, WA 98801 (509) 667-6808 elections@co.chelan.wa.us

#### **Clallam County**

223 E 4th St, Ste 1 Port Angeles, WA 98362 (360) 417-2221 elections@clallamcountywa.gov

#### **Clark County**

1408 Franklin St Vancouver, WA 98660 (564) 397-2345 elections@clark.wa.gov

#### **Columbia County**

115 E Main St, Ste 3 Dayton, WA 99328 (509) 382-4541 auditor\_elections@ co.columbia.wa.us

#### **Cowlitz County**

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