

Clark County Official Local

Voters' Pamphlet

November 3, 2020 General and Special Election

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Look for your General Election ballot by October 21, 2020



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Political parties

Washington State Democrats
 PO Box 4027
 Seattle, WA 98194
 206-309-8683
info@wa-democrats.org
wa-democrats.org

Washington State Republicans
 11811 NE 1st Street, Ste. A306
 Bellevue, WA 98005
 425-460-0570
caleb@wsrp.org
wsrp.org



Who donates to campaigns?

View financial contributors for candidates and measures:

Public Disclosure Commission
www.pdc.wa.gov
 Toll Free 877-601-2828

County Auditor letter

Dear Clark County Voter,

Every election administrator I know understands they are part of the foundation upon which our democratic republic rests. Election administrators take very seriously their responsibility as gatekeepers against forces which would undermine confidence in the integrity of the process and the accuracy of results.

The best test of the accuracy of an elections system is a recount. Clark County has had 10 recounts since 2005. In addition, beginning in 2018, during each election we conduct an audit by manually counting the votes on about 600 ballots for one office and comparing those results with the machine count. These recounts and audits have shown that vote-by-mail elections in Clark County produce extremely accurate results.

Based on recent discussions with local, regional and national U.S. Postal Service representatives, as well as our experience with this year's primary, we are confident the U.S. Postal Service will continue to provide very good service for Clark County voters for this year's General Election.

To provide more options for voters to deliver their ballots we are doubling the number of ballot drop boxes (to 20) that will be available 24/7 beginning 18 days before each election. Ballots are removed from ballot drop boxes on a regular basis by teams of two Clark County Elections Office employees who follow a very precise "chain of custody" process. Location of those can be found on [pages 74-75](#).

Voters who choose to use the U.S. Postal Service need to ensure their ballot has a postmark of Election Day or earlier. We strongly discourage voters from giving their ballot for delivery to anyone other than someone they personally know and trust. Returning your ballot early will allow you to determine in advance of Election Day if it was received by the Elections Office and its status. You can do that at www.VoteWA.org.

Voters who have not received their ballot for this year's General Election by Wednesday, October 21 should contact the Elections Office as soon as possible to obtain a replacement ballot.

We want to help every eligible person register to vote and every registered voter to receive their ballot. The earlier the Elections Office is contacted by people who need a replacement ballot, want to register to vote and receive a ballot, or have related issues the more options there are to provide assistance. We don't want you to have to wait in a line like this on Election Day:



2016 Presidential Election Day Lines

You can call us at 564-397-2345, send an email to elections@clark.wa.gov, visit our website – www.clarkvotes.org, or come to our office at 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver (M-F 8 am – 5 pm; we'll also be open the Saturday before Election Day, October 31, 10 am – 2 pm).

At all levels of government, the successful candidates from this election will make decisions that will affect you and future generations. I urge you to read this pamphlet and to also seek out more information. The best decisions are made by informed voters.

Sincerely,

Greg Kimsey
Clark County Auditor
Phone: 564-397-2078
Email: greg.kimsey@clark.wa.gov



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**

Voice 564-397-2322
Relay 711 or 800-833-6388
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 it by mail or online at clarkvotes.org.



register to vote | my voting information

A Washington driver's license or ID is required to register online. If you have moved within the same county, you may complete a new voter registration form ([page 116](#)) or contact the Elections Office by mail, email or phone.

The deadline to receive new voter registrations and voter updates to existing registrations online, by phone or by mail is 5 pm Oct. 26, 2020.

You may still register and update existing voter registrations after Oct. 26, but you must do so in person by 8 pm Tuesday, November 3.

Who is eligible to vote?

The requirements for registering to vote are simple. You must be a United States citizen, 18 years or older on November 3, 2020 and live in Clark County 30 days prior to the election.

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 entitled to participate.

The page **Voting instructions** ([page 77](#)) in this pamphlet explains how to vote using the Clark County voting process. 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: 800-833-6384

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 3, 2020 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

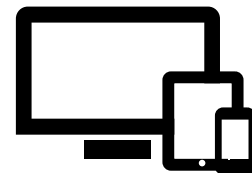
For a schedule of events or candidate forums, see their website at lwvclarkcounty.org or call 360-693-9966.



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 video tapes 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. Contact information listed for candidates is current as of publication date.

What District am I in?

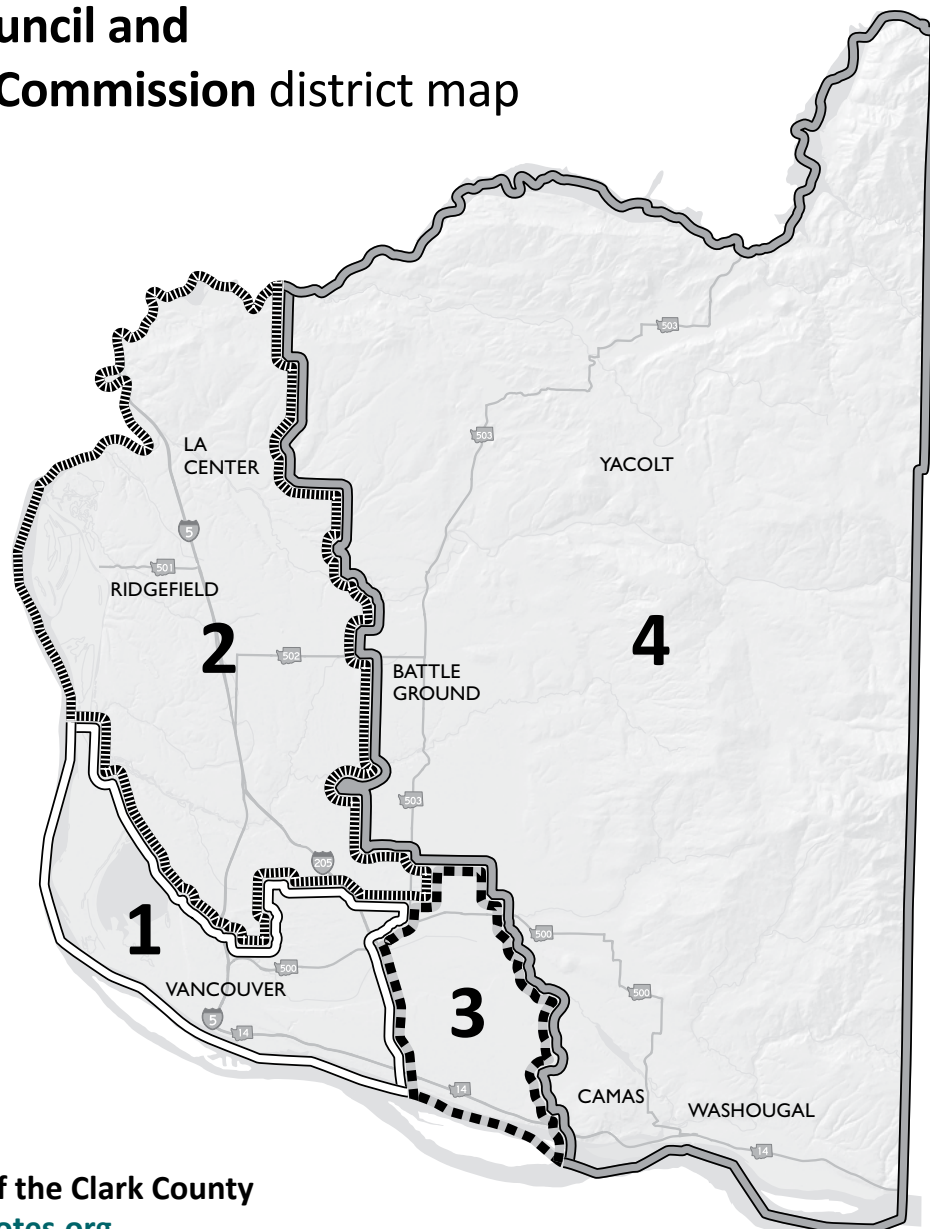
Are you wondering which jurisdictions you live in?

There are several ways to find out:

- **Log in** to MyVote at myvote.wa.gov to view your personalized voter information
- **Visit** clarkvotes.org and click on District Maps in the left-hand column to access maps of every district
- **Refer** to your voter registration card
- **Contact** Clark County Elections: 564-397-2345
elections@clark.wa.gov

Clark County Council and Charter Review Commission district map

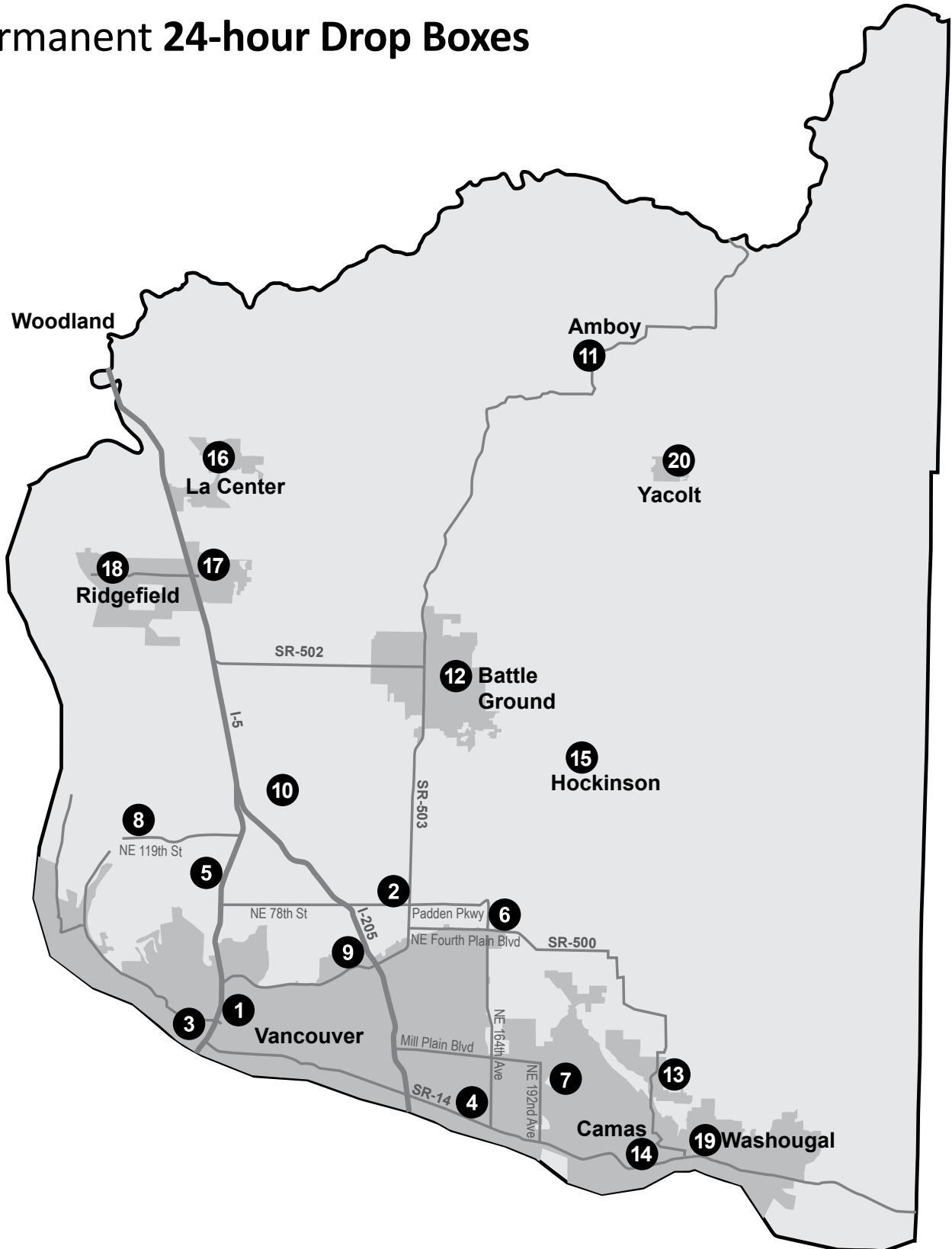
- ==== District 1
- ===== District 2
- District 3
- ===== District 4



To view detailed maps of the Clark County jurisdictions, visit clarkvotes.org.

Ballot deposit locations

Permanent 24-hour Drop Boxes



Ballot deposit locations

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3, 2020. 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 5 pm, Monday through Friday

Saturday, October 31 open 10 am to 2 pm

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 Penguin Bldg. near flagpole, walk-up only)
- 2 Clark Public Utilities Operations Center 8600 NE 117th Avenue (southeast parking lot)
- 3 Downtown Vancouver West 14th and Esther Streets
- 4 Fisher's Landing Transit Center 3510 SE 164th Avenue
- 5 Hazel Dell – 99th Street Transit Center 9700 NE 7th Avenue (Between 94th & 99th Streets)
- 6 Pioneer Elementary/Frontier Middle School parking lot 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)
- 9 Vancouver Mall Parking Lot Southeast of Macy's near the C-Tran Vine Station (parking lot)
- 10 WSU-Vancouver 14204 NE Salmon Creek Ave (WSU Entrance Road entering from NE Salmon Creek Ave, turn right at the first street into the south parking lot)

Other Clark County locations

- 11 Amboy Middle School 22115 NE Chelatchie Road, Amboy (west parking lot)
- 12 Battle Ground City Hall Parking Lot 109 SW 1st Street, Battle Ground (west parking lot)
- 13 Camas – The Heights Learning Center 4600 NE Garfield Street, Camas (south parking lot)
- 14 Camas Post Office Downtown 440 NE 5th Avenue, Camas
- 15 Hockinson Community Center 15916 NE 182nd Avenue, Brush Prairie (parking lot)
- 16 La Center 1001 E 4th Street, La Center (west end of parking lot)
- 17 Ridgefield Pioneer Street exit, east of I-5, at the end of North 1st Circle, in the middle of the cul-de-sac
- 18 Ridgefield School District Administrative Office 510 Pioneer Street, Ridgefield (walk-up only)
- 19 Washougal Library 1661 C Street, Washougal (walk-up only)
- 20 Yacolt Primary School 507 W Yacolt Road, Yacolt (south parking lot)

New! WSU Vancouver Student Engagement Hub

WSU Vancouver now 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 3, 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 5 pm, and on Election Day from 7 am to 8 pm at the Clark County Elections Office, 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver.

To get to the Elections Office on C-Tran, take bus #25 Fruit Valley and St. Johns route. The bus stop is located at Franklin Street and Mill Plain Boulevard.



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.



Voting instructions

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

Your ballot packet will be mailed to you approximately 18 days before the November 3, 2020 General Election. It will contain:

- An instruction sheet that explains the voting process
- The official ballot where you will mark your choices
- A secrecy sleeve*
- A postage-paid return envelope with a green stripe

*Want to learn more about the new secrecy sleeve? Visit clark.wa.gov/elections

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.
- 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 74-75](#) for a complete list of ballot deposit locations.



Follow the instruction sheet included with your ballot to seal, sign, date and return your ballot.

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 [MyVote](#), by email, mail or phone until 5 pm Oct. 26 You may update your registration in-person until 8 pm on Election Day.
- If you are a snowbird or a college student, use our simple web form 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. This does not apply to military or overseas voters.
- 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
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**Candidate and
measure statements
are printed exactly
as submitted.**

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

Clark County
Councilor District No. 3



Karen Dill Bowerman
Prefers Republican Party

Elected Experience Employment expert witness in District, Federal and Superior Courts; City Councilor (elected), Lake Oswego (Oregon) 2012-2015

Other Professional Experience Dean, College of Business and Public

Administration, California State University 2002-2011; Dean Emeritus 2011-present; Professor of Business 1979-2011; Executive Director, Office of Texas Governor, Commission on Status of Women 1978; small business owner

Education Ph.D., Texas A&M University, The Distinguished Graduate; Masters, Kansas University; Bachelors, Wichita State University, Honors

Community Service Clark County Republican Women, officer; Precinct Committee Officer 647; SCORE (Service Corps of Retired Executives) mentor to small business; District Export Council, U.S. Commerce Secretary appointee; Founding Board, Veterans Memorial, Lake Oswego

Statement Now, more than ever, representatives of the people must be skilled in job creation and skilled in identifying true community priorities among urgent competing needs. Using my forty years of business and public service experience, I will focus on Clark County’s economic development, especially considering the damage caused by the virus crisis and the hardships so many families have endured.

I will vote against excessive taxation, against your tax dollars being wasted and against tolling commuter roads. We need transportation infrastructure that relieves congestion. I will be your voice for new transportation corridors and a third crossing of the Columbia River with improved freight mobility.

I support budget priorities for improving public safety with strong and safe neighborhoods and defending property rights with common sense planning and zoning policies. Taxpayers deserve a guard against intrusive government as the county provides regional parks, land use planning and mental and public health services.

As one who is passionate about integrity in government and politics, I will provide informed and principled contributions with honesty and transparency. My mission is to reverse bloated county spending and make our county government more effective and efficient. I humbly ask for your vote.

Phone 360-989-9958
Email karen@karenbowerman.com
Website karenbowerman.com

Clark County
Councilor District No. 3



Jesse James
Prefers Democratic Party

Elected Experience Private Citizen

Other Professional Experience Able Bodied Seaman US Merchant Marine and Seafarers International Union member with 10 years’ experience sailing, conducting safe navigational

watch, ship-handling, and cargo operations. Locally, I have experience as an insurance agent and copywriter in private industry.

Education Battle Ground High School, Class of 1985. US Navy Enlisted Sailor curriculum, emphasizing core values of commitment and discipline required for success. Harry Lundberg School, trained as a navigator, advanced firefighter, search and rescuer, medical first-aid provider, with occupational health and safety precautions, pollution prevention and mitigation, leadership, and teambuilding.

Community Service I look forward to serving you.

Statement As a Clark County resident for more than 40 years, I’m excited to represent you on the Clark County Council. As a husband and father of two children attending Evergreen Public Schools, I seek to ensure that our children’s future includes healthy forests and streams, solid community infrastructure, job opportunities, and affordable housing.

Covid-19 causes financial hardship for our families and county government and highlights our dependence on national food chain supply and factory farming. If Clark County witnesses budget shortfalls, then the Clark County Council must find ways to put the needs of the people first. Protecting farmlands and exploring ways to encourage more local farming is key to Clark County’s sustainability in times of crisis. Local food production also lowers CO2 emissions with reduced farm-to-market transportation needs.

I vow to protect our natural resources, which provide hunting, fishing, and recreation opportunities, by improving mitigation measures for impacts derived from the rapid growth and development that continues in Clark County. My top priorities are addressing urban sprawl, traffic congestion, affordable housing, and the growing homeless population.

Because I’m not a career politician, I’m beholden only to the voters. Your opinions are invaluable. Thank you for your vote.

Phone 360-597-8646
Email jesse@electjessejames.com
Website electjessejames.com

Candidate statements are printed exactly as submitted and are not checked for accuracy.

Clark County

Councilor District No. 4

**Gary Medvigy****Prefers Republican Party****Elected Experience** current Clark County Council, previous Superior Court Judge**Other Professional Experience**

Chair, Law and Justice Council, Children's Justice Center, Lower

Columbia Fish Recovery Board, Elder Justice Executive board, Regional Transportation Council, Juvenile Justice Council, Greater Parks District, and Board of Health. Three decades of leadership experience as a retired Major General, serving combat tours in Iraq and Afghanistan. Criminal prosecutor for 24 years and Judge for 9 years.

Education BA Psychology; Master of Strategic Studies; Juris Doctor.**Community Service** Pilot for Angel Flight, flying those in medical need; Young Eagle program; and Scout aviation merit badges. Veteran organizations; Community Military Appreciation Committee, VFW, Patriot Guard Riders;**Statement** *As your current Councilor, I work hard every day to address Clark County's budget, policy, and legislative needs. In the military, I learned and take to heart-- to not just lead, but to serve you.*

My mandate is to keep the quality of life high and cost of living low, to protect our rural character, and to defend our Constitutional rights. I have led on constituent concerns: Property Rights, Taxes, Covid 19 testing, Conservation, Traffic Congestion, Parks, Public Safety, and Homelessness.

I seek to ensure small, efficient and effective government, remedy comprehensive plan inequities, and efficiently spend tax dollars. My fellow councilors, county management team, and department heads, are working together towards good governance and the right balanced solutions.

Although my military career took me overseas and across our country, married 36 years, and four children, we settled here. My wife's family began with Elisha Ping traveling the Oregon trail in 1860, to settle in Washington Territory. Five generations and now my family too have set roots as proud members of this great community. In these challenging times, I believe *my lifelong, broad leadership experience will continue to benefit neighbors, the community, and my constituents in Clark County.*

Email votemedvigy@gmail.com**Website** votemedvigy.com

Clark County

Councilor District No. 4

**Matt Little****Prefers Independent Party****Elected Experience** Senior Adviser to U.S. Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan; Policy Adviser for bipartisan Northeast-Midwest Congressional Coalition**Other Professional Experience**

Currently, a fundraiser for early childhood education. Previously, Executive Director of the local nonprofit Cascade Forest Conservancy — working to get kids outside and promoting sustainable forest management. More than twenty years working on land use issues at federal agencies, in collaborative groups, at nonprofit businesses, and in Congress for Republicans and Democrats.

Education Dartmouth College, BA Biology; Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Master of Public Administration**Community Service** Backcountry Hunters and Anglers, Washington Board. South Gifford Pinchot Collaborative, representing hunting and fishing interests. Eagle Scout.**Statement** Keep it rural. Grow local jobs. Build better communities. These are my goals.

I have a new plan for growth that allows us to keep our rural charm, compensate landowners, protect basic citizen rights, and grow thriving urban centers where local jobs are close to more affordable homes. This plan has worked in 32 states and in other communities in Washington, and it can work here. With your support, we can create an even better Clark County for our businesses, families, and future generations.

With COVID-19, families today are struggling, and the County should be central in providing important community services. I am a fiscal conservative who can carefully manage limited budgets and re-prioritize County resources to better address mental health and homelessness, and help families and businesses get back on their feet. I am also a dad and a Christian who cares deeply about people and believes our leaders should focus on the resources our community needs the most.

As an independent nonpartisan who listens to and values all perspectives, I thank you for your consideration — it would be an honor to represent you on the Clark County Council.

Phone 360-844-0465**Email** mattlittle4clarkcounty@gmail.com**Website** mattlittle4clarkcounty.org

Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 1



Rainy Rau

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Watershed science educator for the City of Vancouver 2013 to present, Park ranger for Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, 2007-2010

Education Bachelors of Environmental Science, Marylhurst University 2013

Community Service Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) for Camas School District 2017-present, serving as chair currently, Safety sub-committee member for CAC, Mission/Vision review committee member for CAC

Statement Clark County has been my home since 2007 and I'd like to serve my fellow community members during the charter review process. As the county continues to grow at an exponential rate, even since adopting the charter, it is time to review this form of local government and decide whether it works optimally for who were are now, and where we are headed.

Email rainyrau@icloud.com

Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 1



Doug Lasher

Elected Experience Served the citizens as Clark County Treasurer for 34 years. Led to modernize the practices of treasury management. Elected President of the Washington State Association of County Treasurers.

Other Professional Experience

As a lifelong Clark County resident, I am passionate about public administration. Served in Federal, State and local government. At Clark County, worked in Auditor's Office and 1984 elected as County Treasurer. In 2018, received the National Outstanding County Treasurer Award.

Education Bachelor's degree in Political Science and a Master's degree in Public Administration.

Community Service Have served on the Vancouver City Charter Review. A member of Kiwanis, County Historical Society and County Genealogical Society.

Statement *Experienced:* in understanding state law and how county government works. I recently retired as Clark County Treasurer. In the past, I served on the City of Vancouver Charter Review Committee. There are two areas: accountability, and transparency in administering the laws and policies that need to be improved in the Charter.

Ideas to address: nonpartisan elected positions; vacancy selection process for elected positions and; requiring Executive Branch to provide to the County Manager for Council consideration a preliminary balance budget with matching revenues from every Office and Department. I look forward to *your ideas* in helping strengthen our County Charter.

Phone 360-576-9783

Email dougforcharterreview@comcast.net

Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 1



Tom Mielke

Elected Experience Elected to Washington State House of Representatives 1996, Served 4 terms; Elected to Clark County Commission 2008, Served 2 terms; Currently on Veterans Advisory Board for Clark County; President, Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 512

Other Professional Experience Owned Small Business 18 years

Education Some College

Community Service Former volunteer at the Clark County Veterans Assistance Center

Statement The purpose of a charter is to give the people more say in their government and what we've received was just the opposite. With my years of elective and policy experience, I know what will work and what hasn't. The charter must be improved so that the people can be heard and the councilors can be more active and less dependent on an unelected bureaucrat. A vote for me will help bring the government back to the people and the people's control. Vote Tom Mielke for a more responsive and efficient government.

Phone 360-608-6201

Email district18rep@msn.com

Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 2



M. Kirby Ware

Elected Experience I am a two term Clark County Precinct Committee Officer and past Citizen's Advisory Council member for our state Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse

Other Professional Experience Honorably discharged USMC veteran, Supply Chain manager public servant

for the Department of Energy where I also am an Incident Management Team member. I am proud to have started at the bottom and worked my way up and have never forgotten where I started

Education Attended Tulane and Columbia University, lifelong learner, avid reader

Community Service Six year Elections Advisory Committee member, volunteer poll watcher, active long term volunteer and mentor in the recovery community

Statement If elected I look forward to serving alongside my fellow Clark County citizens to review our Charter. As a parent of three current or former county school students and an active community member I believe no matter how busy my family and professional life are it is my obligation to assist my fellow residents in government. My wife and I have worked and lived in this beautiful state for the last ten years and want what we have enjoyed here for our children. Whatever I can do to help this wonderful county and country would be an honor.

Phone 360-608-5986
Email mkirbyware@gmail.com

Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 2



Eric Holt

Elected Experience 2013 Shop Steward Teamsters local 162; 2016-2020 PCO 610; 2017-2019 Vice-Chair (West) WSPC

Other Professional Experience Director of Operations and Business Development; Strategic Changemaker

Education B.Sc. Business Management, WGU- 2014-2019; MBA M.Sc. Business Administration, WGU -2019; MSML M.Sc. Management and Leadership, WGU -2020

Community Service I believe in giving back to our community every chance that I get. I have supported a multitude of local charities as well as donating time, food, and support to help those in need in our County. Now more than ever, in this time of great suffering, we should all be doing what we can to support our neighbors in need.

Statement Hi, I'm Eric Holt and I'm running for the charter review commission because I believe in good governance and I support the charter. I believe that fair representation is the foundation of a strong democracy and a strong governing home rule charter is the key to good governance. I don't want to return to the days of old when special interests controlled all aspects of the County board. We have a good thing going with this charter, and with recommendations from the non-partisan commission, we will continue to improve the future of Clark County.

I humbly ask for your vote.

Phone 360-798-3180
Email e.k.holt@outlook.com

Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 2



David R. Gellatly

Elected Experience 2 Year Term, 2016-2018: Chairman of the Board, Clark County Republican Party

Other Professional Experience
No information submitted

Education No information submitted

Community Service I have a record of leadership and successful results in working with organizations in our community, including previously serving as Chairman of the Board for the Clark County Republican Party as well as organizing and leading non-partisan community efforts and events.

Statement I hope to use my in-depth knowledge of the county and local issues, along with feedback from citizens and local businesses, to look for opportunities for improvement within the charter that help drive efficiency and accountability.

I look forward to working with a diverse team of citizen volunteers to come up solutions that better our county. I understand the long-term effects this document has on all of us who call Clark County home, and our desire to continue to make this the best place on earth to live and raise our families. I ask for you vote.

Email davidrgellatly@gmail.com

Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 3

No photo
submitted

Bridgette Fahnbulleh

No biographical information, candidate statement, or contact information submitted

Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 3



Mike Dalesandro

Elected Experience Mayor of Battle Ground (2018-2019); Battle Ground City Council (2014-Present)

Other Professional Experience

Over 15 years of experience in the Supply Chain industry; operations management, distribution, transportation, customer service, analytics, and planning.

Education Bachelor of Science, Business Management

Community Service Battle Ground Planning Commission (2008-2013); CTRAN Board of Directors (2016-2017); Regional Transportation Council (2016-2019); ARC of SW Washington Board of Directors (2012-2013); twice nominated for the General George C. Marshall Public Leadership Award; recognized by the Vancouver Business Journal Accomplished Under 40

Statement The County Charter is our roadmap to self-governance. The is our opportunity to pull over and ask for directions. What's working? What's not working? How can we improve efficiencies? My top priority is to ensure the Charter upholds and protects the values of good governance. With my work as a Mayor and City Councilor, I'll bring needed experience and insight to the commission. I'm proud of my reputation as an open-minded and collaborative leader who brings diverse folks together to get the job done. By and for the People of Clark County. I respectfully ask for your vote.

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Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 3



Stephen Sechrist

Elected Experience President, IB Parent group Columbia River HS; BOD secretary NWAPA (Northwest Auto Press Assoc.); Board of Directors SID; Society for Information Display, Treasurer, vice president local NW chapter; President 11th grade history class :)

Other Professional Experience Technology Analyst, writer, editor twenty plus years

Education BA Economics, (UCLA); MA Religious Ed. (UTS NY)

Community Service Lay Missionary for 7 years doing field Western, USA, and temporary overseas missions in EU; Vancouver Public schools parent; One daughter who teaches (math) in Vancouver public schools

Statement Will work to return government to a truly representative democracy based on the core principles of (Jefferson, and Locke). No divine right (of kings or others) who would assume power over the people. It's God, not man who "...gave those rights to me!" Reagan Republican, belief in smaller government. Government IS the problem, and our solution is to get it out of the way of our creative potential to pursue happiness in ways only the individual may define.

Personal pledge to vote independently in service of the people
-The People With faith in God as my guide.

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Charter Review Commissioner

(At-Large) Position No. 3



Justin M. Forsman

Elected Experience Vice President for the *Broken Pole Fishing Hole 4 Wounded Veterans*, (2015). J.O.B.T.C. Boot Camp Command Leader, (2003).

Other Professional Experience
Small Business Owner (2018)

Education United States and Washington state Constitution law scholar. Studied Economics. History major. Studied Criminal Justice in Forensic Science, Crime Scene photography, Crime scene Investigations and Fundamental principals in Law Enforcement and procedures. Surface mining certified, Construction academy at ESD112. Essential oils, Natural Medicine orientated.

Community Service Pro Human and Political activist. Advocate against *Glyphosate (Round Up)*, *5G technologies*, and *Water Fluoridation*. Gun Rights Advocate. Successful Unionizing campaign (2019). *Sued Superior court Judge in Federal court for violating Oath of Office*.

Statement There's no end to the amount of *tyranny*, government will invoke against it's people. *The only limit is the amount that you're willing to put up with*. Our *Founders* created a *Bill of Rights* to ensure there were certain Inalienable Freedoms were guaranteed above all things.

Statewide... *Republicans, Democrats, and Independents* are waking up to the fact that our elected officials do not have our best interest in mind. The only solution is for us to unite fronts and realize that we are stronger as a team, to ensure that our local laws are Constitutional and protect us all equally.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 1



Michele L. McDermid

Elected Experience I am the elected PCO for Precinct 100.

Other Professional Experience I have worked as a professional tester, as a photographer, and as a staff assistant for the City of Portland, the City of Vancouver, and the Urban Forestry Commission. I work with the Western

Region DNC Disability Council, covering the Western States.

Education I am getting my transfer degree at Clark College with a focus in Geology.

Community Service I've been a board member of Slocum House and New Blue Parrot theatre. I'm active in local politics for years, as a PCO, as a state delegate, and as an active member of Carter Park Neighborhood.

Statement I've been a resident and homeowner in Clark County for a few decades now. My family moved here in 1976. The incredible growth in Clark County has strained our infrastructure. County Councilors have a big job to do and as citizens we need representation from them. When the Charter was voted in by the people, it increased our representation and made the governance of the County more fair and balanced. I would like your vote. I will be a reasoned voice and will act in the best interest of my district.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 1



Michael Martin

Elected Experience Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience Government Affairs, Proteus Action League; Legislative Director, FairVote Washington; Legislative Aide, Washington State Legislature; Land Use and Transportation Planning, Port of Portland.

Education First in my family to attend college with the help of financial aid. Master of Public Administration, Seattle University; B.A., Seattle Pacific University; A.A., Olympic College.

Community Service Member, City of Vancouver Community Task Force on Council Representation; Board Chair, FairVote Washington Foundation; AmeriCorps VISTA, Seattle Office of Emergency Management.

Statement We have a rare opportunity to come together as a community to evaluate the effectiveness of our county charter, and set its course for the next ten years. I am running to make sure your values are included.

I have spent my career working with others to find common ground solving big problems, and will bring the same spirit of cooperation to the charter review process. Clark County is a wonderful place to call home. It would be my honor to serve you.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 1



Hector Hinojosa

Elected Experience None

Other Professional Experience

Semiconductor Equipment and Process Engineering, Independent Technical Consultant, Catering Service Owner, Director/Board Officer of various Non Profit Organizations.

Education Western Texas College/ University of Texas Arlington

Community Service Member/Director Various Non Profits

Statement Living in Vancouver since 1993, Clark County has instilled a sense of community from my career as a technical consultant and small business owner. I have served as board member and/or director of non profits involved with food security, mental health, civic engagement, civil rights, and low income housing. I serve in local law enforcement advisory committees, and diversity and inclusion workgroups.

My perspective in the review of the home rule charter is unique and needed in balancing the needs of business, homeowners, farmers, environmental issues, equity, healthcare, the way we vote for our councillors and manage county staff.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 1



James Conright

Elected Experience I have been twice elected to Chair Harney Heights Neighborhood Association, and elected as a Democratic Legislative Delegate.

Other Professional Experience

I had served three tours in the Persian Gulf while serving in the Navy, and had worked as an Executive Secretary for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for seven years. Since then, I have dedicated much of my time toward the education of my young twins with special needs.

Education AA from Clark College – Business Administration; AA from Clark College – Early Childhood Education

Community Service Red Cross Volunteer Instructor; Portland Audubon Bird Strike Surveyor; Habitat for Humanity; Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Cleanup

Statement Having grown up in the Barberton Grange area, I've watched Clark County transform from rolling farmlands and waterfowl habitats, to sprawling suburbs and cityscapes. With the changing of the natural, social, and economic environments within our county, we need to take a critical look at how guidance is written and how our leadership is chosen to reflect the values of our residents.

I firmly believe that together, we have a unique opportunity to analyze what has been working for us, and what needs to be updated. My goal is to represent the collective voices of District One: Your voice.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 1



Anthony M. Vendetti

Elected Experience No previous elected experience

Other Professional Experience Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency, Emergency Management Coordinator; Integrated Solutions Consulting, GIS Consultant; Disaster Resilience Leadership Academy, Research

Assistant; Lincoln County Public Health, Preparedness Planner; Albany Fire Department, Preparedness Planner; US Forest Service, Wilderness Firefighter

Education M.S. in Disaster Resilience Leadership, Tulane University; B.A. in Planning & Environmental Policy, Western Washington University; Certified Nonprofit Professional, Louisiana State University - Shreveport; National Emergency Management Advanced Academy, Federal Emergency Management Agency

Community Service AmeriCorps*VISTA; AmeriCorps*NCCC; Community Organizations Active in Disasters; Washington Emergency Management Association; Clark County Food Bank; Evacuteers

Statement The resiliency of a community originates from its ability to come together during times of change. In order to successfully navigate that change, communities need leadership that is transparent, honest, and nonpartisan. These traits should be typical of all members of the Charter Review Commission.

The Commission will represent the voices of almost half-a-million residents and must be able to speak on behalf of the diverse communities within their district. I will represent you with open ears and an open mind, ensuring the foundation of our government supports every one of us.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 2



Kathy McDonald

Elected Experience Currently, an elected Precinct Committee Officer, first elected in 2004.

Other Professional Experience Managing Partner of KMac & Associates, LLC. An experienced political strategist with a demonstrated history of working in the government

relations industry. Skilled in Major Donor Development for Nonprofits, Grassroots Organizing, Government, Crisis Communications, and Team Building. Professionally focused on policy, political strategy, investment strategy, and development. Served in US Congress as a Legislative Assistant

Education Graduated 1979, Life Pacific University, B.A.,P.Th.

Community Service Past Chair, Vancouver Symphony; Paul Harris recipient in Rotary; past Rotarian. Led multiple campaigns both nationally and locally, including Library Bond Campaign & Save C-TRAN Campaign.

Statement I bring 25 plus years of experience in public policy and government. I look at issues analytically and work towards reasonable solutions and want to make sure that we have a government that works for the people. The County Charter Review Committee is charged with finding out what works and what needs to be reworked. My commitment to you is to read and have a full understanding of the material presented, and to keep the charter held to the standard that was originally voted for by the citizens of Clark County. I ask for your vote in November.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 2



Steve Perkel

Elected Experience Chair 49th Legislative District

Other Professional Experience
Vice President, Coast Auto Supply
1981-Present

Education Clark College

Community Service Past Board Member and Sunday School Teacher Congregation Kol Ami

Statement I was born and raised in the Vancouver/Portland area and have lived in Vancouver since 1991. I have raised my family here and have watched the County grow considerably. I do not take running for the Charter Review board lightly. My vision for the future of our County involves all the elected County positions being nonpartisan to eliminate the partisan divide in developing our county. As members of the Review Board, we can mold the charter, so our County Commissioners are held to the highest ethical standards to make sure that money does not control Clark County.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 2



Kim D. Harless

Elected Experience None.

Other Professional Experience
Eight years at Clark County, currently as an Environmental Operations Specialist for Public Health doing waste/recycling system planning, and contracts oversight; Coordinate Solid Waste Advisory Commission; Sit on Healthcare

and two Diversity committees; Former employers: WSU Extension, WSU Vancouver Science Department, and Vancouver Downtown Association.

Education Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science from WSU Vancouver, with additional coursework in Political Science and Agroecology; Associate of Arts from Clark College; Heritage High School graduate.

Community Service Board President of Slow Food Southwest Washington; Former Vice-Chair Clark County Food System Council; 2019 graduate of Leadership Clark County; Columbia Springs and Watershed Stewards.

Statement Charter review is an opportunity to ensure that our government is acting in the best interest of the people, and not favoring special interests or political agendas. I have dedicated my professional and personal life to improving our community, and look forward to serving as your representative. I promise to listen and provide transparency and inclusion.

I will bring unique insight to this commission having worked for the County while it has gone through a number of major transitions. Every day I see the crucial intersections between the work of public employees, the people, and the officials they elect.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 3



Eric LaBrant

Elected Experience Port of Vancouver Commission District 2, 2016 to Present; Fruit Valley Neighborhood Association President, 2010 to Present

Other Professional Experience 18 years accounting and receivables management experience; LaBrant Receivables 2012 to Present; FINRA

Public Arbitrator 2020 to Present

Education Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Western Governors University. Leadership Clark County Class of 2017 (BCE)

Community Service Vancouver Lake Watershed Partnership Steering Group, WSU Vancouver Business Growth MAP Volunteer Mentor 2013 to Present, Beautiful Portland Board 2018-2019, Columbia River Economic Development Council Board 2020 to Present

Statement Our county charter is our opportunity to decide how our government moves forward, building a foundation for government that works /well/ for our growing community. I enjoy seeking new perspectives and differing opinions to build stronger solutions, and will advocate for a county that is responsible, sustainable, and works for us.

I will work hard to ensure the charter serves those who call Clark County home, and serve in a manner that is sensible, experienced, and responsive. Let's find solutions to the challenges ahead, together! I'm Eric LaBrant, and I ask for your vote.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 3



Barbara Taft Chen

Elected Experience No prior elected experience.

Other Professional Experience

I am a retired executive management level fiscal officer with over 25 years of experience in corporate for-profit and non-profit organizations as well as institutions of higher education. I held

Certified Financial Planner and Certified Trust and Financial Advisor designations before retirement.

Education BS in Public Administration – University of Oregon; MBA – University of Oregon; Leadership Clark County

Community Service Board of Trustees, Columbia Dance, since 2011; PTO leadership roles when my children were in school

Statement My desire to serve on the Charter Review Commission is purely to be of service to the community. I believe the Commission's charge is to ensure that the charter has shaped a county government that attracts servant leaders who act in the best interests of the entire community. The structure needs to make sure all voices are heard and all interests are represented.

I enjoy working with diverse viewpoints to resolve policy. I will evaluate issues with a lens tuned to supporting vulnerable populations, businesses and the environment in order to create a resilient county economy that works for all.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 1, Position No. 3



Chris Goodwin

Elected Experience State Delegate

Other Professional Experience

Employers: USMC, Oregon Health Authority, CDC, The Institute for Family Health, Clark County Public Health. Relevant Areas: Communications, Community Engagement, Leadership Roles, Process Review, Public Health, Quality Improvement.

Education UW: Master of Public Health; PSU: Bachelor of Science majoring in Sociology, Social Science, and Science. Minor in Physics. Focus areas: Allied Health, Family Studies.

Community Service Eagle Scout, AmeriCorps VISTA, AmeriCorps Community HealthCorps Coordinator. Food bank events volunteer. Multnomah County Volunteer of the Year, 2011. Former Mentor to Youth at OMSI; Counselor at Mt. Hood Kiwanis Camp; NY Cares Team Lead. Former Key Club Lieutenant-Governor, Division 68, PNW District.

Statement Transparency, accountability, and community engagement are critical elements of good government, and are among my core values. Having led several collaborative community-based efforts in Clark County, from analyzing systems to reviewing ethical issues and health access solutions, I offer fresh perspectives and a thorough, community-first approach to this review team.

The only special interest I serve is you. Humbly requesting your voice and vote, I will collaborate to improve on our charter's strengths, and correct what should be adjusted. I will do this with good faith, empathy, inclusion, and a discerning eye. Please see my website for more!

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 1



Sydney Johnson

Elected Experience New independent voice for Clark County's 2nd District, not a politician.

Other Professional Experience

Non-profit sector professional focused on community engagement and small businesses.

Education Portland State University

Community Service I have dedicated myself to programs that help individuals thrive and foster community strength. I believe everyone has a voice, especially when it comes to their government.

Statement I am running to be an independent, thoughtful voice for my neighbors in the second district. The charter review should be about ensuring a representative, responsible and efficient government for Clark County. Therefore, the process needs to be objective, not bogged down by partisan ideology and personal agendas as we answer critical questions and concerns about our county government. As a commissioner, I will put my skills as a listener and compromiser to work for you. I respectfully ask for your vote and look forward to hearing from you.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 1



Charles P. "Chuck" Green

Elected Experience *Appointed* Clark County Commission on Aging, 2018. *Elected* Vice Chair, 2019; *Elected* Chair Middle Class Alliance, 2016; *Candidate:* Clark County Council District 2, 2015.

Other Professional Experience Currently project manager, Otak. Previously C-TRAN Vine Bus Rapid

Transit Project Manager; Consulting Transportation Planner. Clark County Transportation Manager 1990s.

Education Two Master's Degrees, Bachelor's Degree, University of Michigan, 1981-1982. High School: Walled Lake Western (MI), 1970s.

Community Service Organizations: Charter Member, Rotary Club/ Three Creeks; Commission on Aging; Partnership Coordinator, Sacajawea Elementary/ Real Life Foursquare Church; Labor Roundtable; Healthy Neighborhoods Coalition; Community Gardens. Support: CR Mental Health Foundation; Council for Homeless; Habitat/Humanity; DOGPAW; Parks Foundation; ASPCA; Humane Society.

Statement I love Clark County! I've lived here over 28 years. I participated in crafting our Charter and campaigned hard for its passage in 2014. With former Commissioner Betty Sue Morris I led "Charter Chat" forums educating groups on how the Charter gives you a voice in County government. Local media and organizations considered me their *Charter go-to person* for information.

I continue listening to your suggestions for improvement and hear about the challenges. I want to represent you at and bring your suggestions to the table. Keep your voice in County government. Vote "Charter Chuck" Green for Charter Review Commission.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 1



Thomas R. Higdon

Elected Experience I have served as a Precinct Committee Officer several times.

Other Professional Experience Prior to my retirement, I worked in sales and marketing.

Education I possess a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Community Service I am in the process of volunteering for the Court Appointed Special Advocate program.

Statement 244 years ago, the American colonists declared independence and crafted a social compact designed to advance self-government. In 1787, they sent delegates to Philadelphia to remedy the seminal flaws in that compact and produced the U.S. Constitution. Today, as their political heirs, we are no less committed to better government and have established a commission to review our county charter with a view toward crafting the best possible alliance of liberty and efficiency. With your support, I hope to contribute my best effort to that cause and ask for your vote.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 1



Trevor Best

Elected Experience Representative to county and state Republican Conventions

Other Professional Experience Six years as an IT professional

Education Homeschooled through high school, several professional certifications

Community Service Elected to Clark County Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors twice for two consecutive terms. Served on several sub committees at CCARC and extensively volunteered in other areas at the club. Volunteered at Gleanings for the Hungry YWAM mission. Worked extensive volunteer hours at Birch Community Services. Volunteered with FreeGeek refurbishing computers would otherwise have become electronic waste.

Statement As your Charter Review Commissioner, my priorities will be to amplify the voice of the people in their government, and to ensure that said government remains as small as possible. If elected, I will work to institute term limits for elected county officials and ensure that no amendment that would limit the property rights of Clark County residents is passed. Vote for me and I will fight for our beliefs and rights that have always made our county exceptional!

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 1



Julie Laterza

Elected Experience No experience

Other Professional Experience Lifestyle Solopreneur 2010 – Present

Education Master of Business Administration- in process; Bachelor of Business Administration- 2019; Warner Pacific University- Portland, OR

Community Service No service presently

Statement As a native and lifelong resident of Clark County, our community holds a very special place in my heart. While my experience in government is nil, my knowledge in political science, history and economics is vast. With a growing population and economy, it is vital that our council members are meeting the needs of the citizens, and governing efficiently and effectively. I am proud to live in District 2, and I would be honored to be your eyes and ears during the charter review process. Thank you!

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 2



Jackie Lane

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience
No information submitted

Education No information submitted

Community Service No information submitted

Statement My career was in technology, including substantial Project Management and Leadership roles; working in large, diverse teams, with lots of practice in teamwork and collaboration. I retired 4 years ago to become more involved locally – Leadership Clark County, League of Women Voters, joined 2 non-profit boards, and volunteer at Share.

I attended meetings of the Freeholders as they developed the Charter, and was active the Charter Yes campaign. I'm familiar with the Charter and have been listening to the community on how it might be improved. I look forward to representing District 2 on the Charter Commission.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 2



Kelsey Potter

Elected Experience Appointed to the Clark County Parks Advisory Board by the County Council in 2016. Elected co-chair in 2017. Re-elected in 2019 and currently serving.

Other Professional Experience

Experience working in local government, local non profits, and a

small local business. Currently a substitute teacher for Vancouver Public Schools.

Education Associate in Arts from Clark College with honors. Bachelors in public affairs- public policy and politics concentration with honors from WSU Vancouver.

Community Service I believe in giving back to the community and have volunteered for the following organizations over the years: Columbia Springs, Human Services Council, Vancouver Schools, Clark County Parks and Lakeshore Elementary PTA.

Statement I'm Kelsey Potter, a lifelong resident of Clark County and substitute teacher with Vancouver Schools. I live with my husband, a firefighter, and 7 year old twins in Felida. I believe the Charter has helped strengthen Clark County since it's adoption. It has reduced administrative costs and expanded representation. However, I do believe that there are certain aspects that need review and revision. My degree in public policy, coupled with my 4 years working with the county on the parks advisory board has given me experience problem solving, advocating for citizens and formulating policy. I hope to earn your vote.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 2



Joel Mattila

Elected Experience I have served as Precinct Committee Officer and my peers elected, and re-elected, me to serve the last three years as Clark County Republican State Committeeman. State party leadership awarded me the “2019 State Committee Person of the Year” award.

Other Professional Experience

I own and operate United Realty which has given me experience in successful negotiation techniques. I will ensure that citizens’ and local business owners’ voices are heard in this process. I am a consensus builder who has repeatedly earned the trust of my peers.

Education I attended Hockinson schools, Prairie High, and Multnomah University.

Community Service Founder: Urban Cry, a community service organization.

Statement As the only conservative running for this position, I will work to ensure that councilors are accessible to the regular person and that county government is most responsive to citizen’s concerns. Government should serve constituents. I support councilors having more flexibility to communicate with the county manager and staff. I support equal representation in elections.

I am a lifelong resident of Clark County who cares deeply that it remains a great place to live, work, play, and raise a family; and I will work to ensure that our children have a bright future here in beautiful Clark County!

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 3



Dorothy Gasque

Elected Experience Local Party Treasurer, Veterans Caucus Vice Chair, PCO, National Delegate

Other Professional Experience SGT US Army, Iraq War Veteran, Community Organizer, Data Engineer/Scientist

Education B.S Mathematics-Portland State University, Data Science-Lambda School

Community Service Voter Outreach and Education, Fish Food Bank, CHAP, Boys and Girls Club, 4 Results Mentoring

Statement For the first half of my life and across this nation, the US Army chose where I lived. Clark County is special; it's the only place that's ever felt like home. Our county voted to adopt the home rule charter, to ensure every community has a seat at the table.

I am running to preserve the intent of the original charter, and to improve local control. It is time to end the partisanship by making county positions non-partisan, and to promote good governance through ethics reform. I respectfully ask for your vote for the Charter Review Commission.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 3



Peter Silliman

Elected Experience I am a north Clark county native. I have made this my home for over 50 years. I currently live on 10 acres outside of La Center with my wife and children. I work as a telecommunication professional. I left CenturyLink after 22 years as a lead engineer. I was elected to the Freeholder board that crafted the

County Charter. I also served two years at the county as a policy analyst. I am currently a semi-independent contractor, doing engineering, consulting, and splicing. I am active the Republican party. I want to see our county run smoothly.

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

Education No information submitted

Community Service No information submitted

Statement The Charter was passed with many great intentions. The intended separation of powers between the Legislative branch and the Executive branch is incomplete. The result has been increased tension, as evidenced by our letting go two county managers since the charter adoption. The Legislative branch was intended to operate independently to set policy, like in other charter counties. That can't happen in our county because the legislative branch has no staff. I would like to correct that. I would also like to consider adding some levy protection to our charter language to protect the citizens. See my website for details.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 3



Bridget McLeman

Elected Experience No elected public office although I have held elected and appointed positions in broad range of professional, union, school, state, and local organizations, networks and collaboratives.

Other Professional Experience

Retired as Regional Director, Children’s Home Society of Washington providing children’s mental health, family support and early learning services in Vancouver, Battle Ground and Washougal.

Education BA, Organizational Development (Carleton, Ottawa); MA, Social Foundations of Education; PhD, Education Policy focused on community involvement in the policy making process (University of Maryland).

Community Service Active volunteer: Clark County Community Action Advisory Board; Outsiders Inn Governing Board; Neighborhood Association of Clark County; Sherwood Neighborhood Association; and Council on Accreditation.

Statement It’s time to review how successful we have been implementing the changes we adopted in the new Charter in 2014; to evaluate whether we accomplished what we hoped for; to clean up language that might be misinterpreted; to ensure that Charter provisions have been embedded into County policies and procedures. I bring to that task my extensive understanding of Clark County politics plus a wealth of personal and professional experience in working with diverse groups of stakeholders.

My goal as member of the Charter Review Committee will be to assure our Charter reflects our “proud past and promising future”.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 2, Position No. 3



David E. Poland

Elected Experience Elected in 2016 the Gallaudet University Graduate Student Association Vice President, becoming President when the incumbent president suddenly resigned.

Other Professional Experience

Interned in Congress for Representative Mark Takano, and The DC Center helping asylum seekers. Former Community Advocate for d/Deaf and hard of hearing at WADHH (formerly Tilikum/SWCDHH), and peer mentor for Vancouver Park’s and Recreation Inclusion Mentor camps.

Education Attended Clark College for business administration; graduated Summa Cum Laude in social work and government from Gallaudet University in Washington DC; Leadership Clark County Class of 2018.

Community Service Currently serving on Clark County Council CAAB, C-Tran’s CCAC, and Election’s Advisory Committee.

Statement I’m no newbie! My family roots are firmly planted in Washington soil. My grandparents moved to Clark County from Ellensburg in the 1950s after mom became a public school teacher here. Born in Vancouver, my early years on their Brush Prairie Hereford farm instilled in me a love for the land.

I am deeply devoted to my hometown, and dedicate time to make it the best place for your family too. I will analyze the Charter to ensure checks and balances be firmly in place to prevent agendas disregarding the will of the People, if you will vote for me.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 3, Position No. 1



Adam Baldwin

Elected Experience I believe as many Americans as possible should experience holding public office, as such, I am running with no prior experience in public office.

Other Professional Experience
Journeyman Sheetmetal worker with SMWIA Local 16, and Journeyman Electrician with IBEW Local 48.

Education Associates Degree in Electronics Technology from Clark College, five Year apprenticeship with SMWIA Local 16, and five year apprenticeship with IBEW Local 48. A life time of self study of history, philosophy, economics, and human behavior.

Community Service As a grass roots political activist, I have spent innumerable hours in community service working for liberty and justice for all.

Statement Clark County needs term limits now! I will advocate to amend the Clark County Charter to require term limits for all elected officials who derive their authority from our county charter. Power corrupts, and absolute power corrupts absolutely; as such, I believe the longer a politician holds elected office the more prone to abusing political power they become. Term limits for politicians are a necessary means to protect the people from political corruption and loss of rights. A vote for my candidacy is a vote for term limits in Clark County.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 3, Position No. 1



Maureen Winningham

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience
Maureen is the Director of Learning & Development for a firm that works with 20+ states specializing in helping elderly, physically challenged and developmentally-delayed clients to

maintain dignity and autonomy by living independently. 20+ years as a global executive - 10 years at Intel.

Education Franklin University & Stanford University

Community Service Board of Directors for American Red Cross & Emerge Washington; Volunteer Activity: CyberSecurity Awareness, Children's Book Initiative, Fisher's Landing neighborhood association, Battle Ground and East Vancouver Parent Teacher Organization; Vice Chairperson of Emerge Washington - Candidate Development & Recruitment for women in politics

Statement Clark County is suffering from a devastating economic blow. We have a powerful opportunity - to revise our county charter to ensure we have a modern approach to governing that is efficient, supportive of economic recovery and can address the needs of our growing and changing community. My global career has focused on service and collaboration to get results! It has been my honor to serve Clark County as a volunteer for the past decade. I ask for your vote to continue serving.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 3, Position No. 1



Ken Lounsbury

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

Education No information submitted

Community Service No information submitted

Statement I stand for the Constitution, Limited Government and Personal Liberty

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 3, Position No. 2



Parker Davidson

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

I've worked as a debate coach for the past year and a half, teaching elementary and middle school-aged children how to compete in several forms of debating with their peers and

other schools. I also spent time assisting with the Alliance for Gun Responsibility. Before that, I was an employee with the City of Vancouver in recreation and events for two years.

Education B.A. Political Science, Cum Laude - Seattle University, 2020; Open Campus Scholar, London and Berlin - CIEE, 2019; Clark College, 2018 - Vice President's Honors List; Mountain View High School Class of 2018, Running Start

Community Service Hough School Foundation

Statement As a born and raised Clark County resident, my biggest desire is to help the community prosper. What we need to do is assist Clark County in facilitating an environment that is friendly for families and for small businesses. As such, our priorities as a community in the review of our charter should be to ensure that the city can facilitate growth in a sustainable manner. Clark County is growing quickly, and we need to work our absolute hardest to create a community that can harness that growth to directly benefit the citizens living in it.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 3, Position No. 2



Nena Cavel

Elected Experience No previous experience

Other Professional Experience

I am a data and analytics professional specializing in helping businesses make data-driven decisions

Education BA in Political Science

University of Oklahoma / MA in Political Science, University of Maryland College Park

Community Service Vice Chair, YDCC 2019 - 2020, Endorsements Committee 2019

Statement 2014's charter was a positive step forward in democratizing governance in Clark County. As freeholder, I intend to build upon and improve that vision. Specifically, I believe we should retain a minimum 5-person council. Smaller constituencies allow for greater representation across the county and create fewer veto points in the legislative process. I also support the council-manager structure, which ensures that the executive is held accountable to the elected councilors. Vote for me and I will work for effective, accessible, and accountable governance in our county.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 3, Position No. 2



Terri Niles

Elected Experience Vice President AURN/Oregon Nursing Association

Other Professional Experience

20 year Critical Care Nurse, medical, surgical and trauma, 5 years experience as a Nursing Supervisor at Providence, Peacehealth and Legacy Salmon Creek. Currently working in the Neuro

Intensive Care at OHSU. Contract, Bargaining and Labor negotiations. I consider my profession a calling and I love serving my community.

Education Registered Nurse, Kapiolani Community College, University of Hawaii, OCLS Labor Candidate School graduate

Community Service Nurse Representative and Vice President of the AURN/ONA, President CCDW, Vice President WFDW, Voter Registration and voter engagement, Women's rights and advocacy, Animals and Environmental rights advocate. Equestrian. Per my husband, gourmet chef

Statement I have been in public service most of my adult life, serving my patients and community. I'm running for this position without a partisan agenda, with an open mind and with a goal to use my experience to listen, study, propose, deliberate, and decide what has worked and if changes need to be made. My experience in contract negotiation will serve the commission well. In contract and labor negotiations we work towards a common goal and ultimately a consensus. I intend to apply this same sensible, consensus building strategy to review our Charter and make Clark County's Charter even stronger.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 3, Position No. 3



Jeff Angelo

Elected Experience None

Other Professional Experience

I have been working for 15 years with DD adults in their homes and community and advocating for disability rights. I have worked in-home care, as well as job developer and job coach during this time.

Education BA in Sociology from Washington State University

Community Service I currently serve as the Board President for the Evergreen School District Foundation. I am also the current Board President for the Arc of SW Washington. I have been a past member with Friends of the Children's Justice Center, and continue to donate my time to various local non-profits in the Clark County area.

Statement For 40 years, I have been lucky to call Clark County my home. I have worked with schools and community leaders alike to ensure that students get the resources they need to succeed, while making sure that young adults with developmental disabilities are supported in transitioning from school to community.

I will carry these experiences with me as I represent you. We all deserve a voice in how to best direct fundamental policy for a better Clark County. I will ensure that your voice will become part of that conversation. I ask for your support and your vote.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 3, Position No. 3



Jess Mahan

Elected Experience Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience No information submitted

Education Prairie High School Graduate

Community Service No information submitted

Statement I am a very proud civil servant that has called Clark County his home for all of my 39 years. I'm looking forward for this opportunity to help make Clark County and Vancouver an even better place to live.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 1



Greg Cheney

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience

Attorney at Law, 2010 - Present; U.S. Congressional staff member; undergraduate and law school teaching assistant; federal legislative assistant

Education Seattle University, J.D.; George Washington University, M.A. (History); Walla Walla College, B.A. (History)

Community Service Member, Battle Ground Planning Commission; Member, Board of Directors for NAMI SWWA

Statement Transparent. Accountable. Responsive. These values must be central pillars in our county's charter. I analyze government actions using these values as a member of the Battle Ground Planning Commission. Equally important is common sense. We must ensure that our county charter allows families, small businesses, and community members to thrive as we rebuild our wonderful community in these challenging times. Raised in Clark County. Raising my own children here. I ask for your vote to ensure we have a county charter that promotes transparency, accountability, and responsiveness.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 1



Thomas Hernandez

Elected Experience None

Other Professional Experience

I used to work at Bed Bath & Beyond as a Sales Associate.

Education I am currently a student at Clark College.

Community Service I have volunteered with the Winter Hospitality Overflow in Vancouver. In high school, I did volunteer work through the Spanish Honor Society.

Statement As a young person involved in politics, I have a vested interest in looking out for my fellow neighbors because I care about the community and the people around me. I am running to keep the solid foundations of our current charter while strengthening it through improvements by giving the citizens of District 4, and Clark County as a whole, a voice. This means keeping the county positions non-partisan so that partisan issues do not derail the county on its path moving forward. I would be honored to have your vote as your next charter review commissioner.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 1



Dave Stiles

Elected Experience Current Precinct Committee Officer, LD 20, Precinct 537

Other Professional Experience Senior Equipment Engineer, Semiconductor Industry, 27 years

Education A.A.S, Electronics Engineering Technology; B.A.S,

Automated Manufacturing Technology

Community Service Director/Clark County Lead, Liberty Disaster Relief Services, 501c3 Non-Profit; Veteran, US Army, 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, 1973 - 1975

Statement My name is Dave Stiles. I have been a Clark County resident in Amboy since 2003. I am currently a PCO in Precinct 537 in Legislative District 20.

If elected as Review Commissioner for my District, I pledge to you to do my utmost to help in that endeavor. As a US Army veteran, I took an Oath to protect and defend the Constitution from all enemies, foreign and domestic and as the saying goes, nobody has ever relieved me of my duties under that Oath. Thank you for your consideration and I hope I can count on your vote.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 1



Dick Rylander

Elected Experience No information submitted

Other Professional Experience Executive in Residence at OHSU. Various professional associations and groups. Business startup experience.

Education BS Marketing/Finance and MBA. Associate Professor at the Pamplin Graduate School of Business at the University of Portland for 7 years.

Community Service Clark County Clean Water Commission chair for 2 years. Ran for Freeholder in 2014. Ran for Battle Ground School Board 2016. Started a Neighborhood Association. Started a Cub Scout Troop. Operate a K-12 education blog for 4 1/2 years.

Statement Fact based decisions. Trustworthy. Honest. Thorough. My pledge is to review every aspect of the Charter and identify any changes that should go before you, the voter. No politics. No agenda. Government needs to be accountable to you and I will help make sure that happens. Whether as a member of the Charter Commission or as a PCO you can contact me and share you opinions and I will listen. Your vote is essential and I ask for your support.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 1



Deanna Rusch

Elected Experience Camas City Councilperson (2018-2019)

Other Professional Experience Attorney since 2006 (family law). Currently practicing at McKean Smith in Vancouver.

Education Juris Doctor (J.D.) --

Gonzaga University. Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Law, Societies, and Justice -- University of Washington.

Community Service Chairperson -- 100 Women Who Care Clark County. Volunteer lawyer -- Clark County Volunteer Lawyer Program. Board member -- Downtown Camas Association. Board member -- Camas Washougal Community Chest.

Statement I believe in open, honest and accountable governance. Government should be representative and not exclusive to any party/ideology. I support the concept of the home rule charter and feel the expansion from 3 to 5 representatives has created broader and more inclusive representation. The distinction between the legislative and executive branches remains vitally important, and I support a non-elected county manager to ensure selection of the best possible person for that role. I look forward to collaborating with my fellow citizens from across Clark County to ensure the best possible governance model for all of us.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 1



Chuck Miller

Elected Experience Precinct Committee Officer for approximately 15 years

Other Professional Experience Tri-Met Supervisor for 31 years supervising bus drivers, routes and problem solving.

Education Graduated Jefferson High School; Attended Portland Community College; Attended Portland State University

Community Service President, Washington Citizens for Responsible Government a Non-Profit working with local governments, including Clark County, to implement the Federal E-Verify program and educating voters on ballot initiatives; Meals on Wheels - Food delivery for vulnerable citizens

Statement I have spent many years working to elect representatives who will govern responsibly. I spent a year informing citizens regarding the Charter.

We have waited a long five years to amend this Charter to make it citizen friendly. This Charter gives excessive responsibility *and* authority to the County Manager resulting in losing two managers in less than 5 years. It puts a barrier between the people and their elected representatives. Citizen complaints and needs often drag on for months and some are never resolved. We can do better. I'll work in good faith to write a truly citizen centered Charter.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 2



John Latta

Elected Experience None.

Other Professional Experience

A resident of Clark County since 2015, I am a submarine veteran and recently retired Professional Engineer with experience in operation, maintenance, and management in Washington State.

As an electrical engineering supervisor,

I wrote and reviewed technical procedures, administrative rules and practices, and facilitated solutions to complicated problems in diverse team settings.

Education U.S. Navy Training 1971-1979; PE Electrical Engineering, Washington State 1995; BS in Electrical Engineering WSU 2001.

Community Service I am active in voter education and outreach efforts, and a member of the Washougal Senior Association. I want to keep Clark County government efficient, effective, and representative of its citizens.

Statement I am running for the commission because I believe in citizen oversight of government. Our charter is the foremost document defining our county government. It was approved by voters to provide increased representation for local citizens. It shouldn't be revised casually or for special interests. It belongs to all the citizens of our county. If elected, I will listen and be the 4th District's voice.

Serving in the Navy during a time of conflict impressed on me the debt I owe our nation. Working on the commission is my way to contribute. I'd appreciate your vote this November.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 2



Brent D. Boger

Elected Experience Washougal City Councilor 2012-present; Chairman Clark County Republican Party 2002-06

Other Professional Experience

Private and Public Sector lawyer with experience in trials, appeals, as well as administrative and municipal law (including charters)

Education Bachelor of Arts, Economics; Juris Doctorate, Law

Community Service Presidential judicial appointments advisory committee Western District of Washington (2001-02); Officer and member of several non-profit boards dedicated to elder protection and health care; Rotary Club.

Statement The people need *transparency and accountability* from our elected and appointed government officials. Accountability requires oversight. The current Charter impedes oversight because it restricts most direct communication between the elected Councilors and County staff.

You have a problem with the County? The current Charter only allows your elected Councilor to forward your request to the unelected County Manager. Councilors can't ask staff administrative-related questions as many charters permit. In the last five years Clark County has had *four* permanent and acting county managers. This Charter restriction contributes to *instability*. I will work to change that. I appreciate your vote!

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 2



Glenn Kincaid

Elected Experience Four times PCO. Four years as LD14 board member. Parades and fundraisers for years. 44 years local general contractor experience, 20 years owner of equipment rental yard. Experience from the ditch to the balance sheet and profit and loss statements.

Other Professional Experience

No information submitted

Education Attended Washougal High. And self trained on the job more then any college could have ever taught me.

Community Service I've donated to any good cause that asked over decades in business.

Statement I promise to always tell the truth. It's your money and rights they always want. I will hold anyone incompetent or dishonest accountable whenever I can.

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 3



Liz Pike

Elected Experience Elected Washington State Representative in 2012, 2014 and 2016, Elected Camas City Council in 2004, Elected Republican Precinct Committee Officer

Other Professional Experience Owner Art Farm, Pike Advertising Agency, and Shangri-La Farm. Former

Divisional Board Member - Umpqua Bank, and former Board Member - Lacamas Shores Homeowners Association.

Education Graduate WSU Extension Master Gardener program, Graduate Jennifer Dunn Leadership Institute, Graduate Battle Ground High School with Honors.

Community Service Founder, Camas First Friday Art Walk, current President - Clark County Republican Women, Certified Master Gardener, former volunteer organizer - Washougal Farmers Market, 25 year marathon runner and finisher of Hawaii Ironman World Championship Triathlon.

Statement Our county charter will be reviewed with proposed changes ultimately decided by voters. As *your voice* in this process, I'll provide intelligent, thoughtful and reasonable input with honesty and civility, as I've done in the past. I'll put *rights of citizens* ahead of government bureaucracy to improve our county's charter for the benefit of the people. Citizens deserve an efficient county government that's responsive and helpful.

With 40 years of private sector business experience, and as a retired three-term State Legislator, I'll deliver effective, proven leadership to improve our county charter. There's no one who'll work harder for you!

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Charter Review Commissioner

Council District 4, Position No. 3



Greg K. Anderson

Elected Experience Camas City Council 1997 to present, non-partisan term ends 2023. Mayor Pro Tem peer selected 5 times. C-Tran Board of Directors 2015-2017, and 2020.

Worked with community stakeholders on form of government (strong-mayor compared with council-manager) in 2017-2018. Focused on public safety

areas in several committees, streamlining processes, as well as tree preservation.

Other Professional Experience US Army Officer, and then 37 years as Warehouse and Logistics Operations Manager, now retired.

Education Bachelor Science, Business, Arizona State University

Community Service Camas Schools Citizen Advisory Council 3 years, Camas High Band Parent 6 years

Statement With a long investment of 33 years living in the county, while raising a family, while working full time, I know the need for a transparent, efficient and effective government. I have a demonstrated history of being a good and active listener, and I will work collaboratively with the other members of the charter review commission to bring improvements to the voters to consider. Goals are more transparency, improved accountability, and better communication to citizens.

I will be a community-based representative, seeking input on key decisions, not with a pre-determined outcome in mind. I thank you for your vote!

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Clark Public Utilities

Commissioner District No. 3



Jane Van Dyke

Elected Experience Clark Public Utilities Commissioner

Other Professional Experience

Active member of the Washington State Bar Association; Over twenty years of experience in nonprofit management, including Clark County Volunteer Lawyers and Bar Association;

Columbia Springs Environmental Education Center and the Columbia Slough Watershed Council

Education Bachelor's degree from University of California, Santa Barbara; Law degree from Lewis and Clark Northwestern School of Law

Community Service Jane is involved in a number of community organizations, including Vancouver Sunrise Rotary, Columbia River Economic Development Council, Columbia Land Trust, Bridge the Gap for Foster Children, and EOCF-Headstart. Jane is also active with the Washington PUD Association and American Public Power Association.

Statement As a Clark Public Utilities Commissioner, I actively promote outstanding customer service, energy and water conservation and efficiency, efficient and effective management, and community and environmental programs. As a customer advocate, I work for reliable power and water service at affordable rates.

The utility is known for its excellent customer service. Customers can reach us online and 24-7 with live customer representatives. And it's a 12-time winner of the prestigious J.D. Power award for customer satisfaction. Conservation and efficient use of power and water allow the utility to avoid costly investments in new resources. We offer incentives and low interest loans for heating and cooling, weatherization, and solar energy. Also, we invested in renewables with a solar and a wind project. The utility operates very efficiently, no electrical rate increases in nine years or water rate increases in eight years. Commitment to our community and the environment is evident throughout the utility. Operation Warm Heart, Senior Rate Credit, and Guarantee of Service programs assist low income customers. Tree planting, watershed restoration, and student field trips teach and improve our community.

My experience, commitment, and legal background will provide proven, effective, and engaged leadership. I look forward to serving you.

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Candidate statements are printed exactly as submitted and are not checked for accuracy.

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City of Washougal

Proposition No. 9

Designation of Council Position Number One as Chair Within the City of Washougal

Shall the City of Washougal designate Council position number one as the Chair (Mayor)?

Yes No

STATEMENT FOR

The Mayor is the “the people’s choice”. Voters should directly elect Washougal’s mayor. Presently, the Mayor is the politically popular choice of the other councilmembers. Voters have no direct voice in the matter.

In 2018, the City Council put a measure on the ballot to change our form of government from strong mayor to council manager. In doing so, the Council majority promised to bring back a future measure so the voters could decide whether they wanted to have a direct say in who the Mayor is. This measure keeps that promise.

The Mayor’s powers remain the same. The Mayor will have one vote on the council, will chair council meetings, and will be the face of City government to the community. This proposed process empowers the will of the people and is superior to the current method of selection of only four councilmembers picking the Mayor. The Mayor should represent all of the people. When you select the Mayor, you agree that the Mayor is recognized internationally as the leadership position in any city. Your vote to select the Mayor acknowledges that the Mayor represents all citizens in our City, to the mayors of other cities worldwide, and to other elected officials at all levels.

Let the people choose!!! Except for the last three years, the voters of Washougal have been able to directly elect their Mayor. Voting to select the Mayor will return that right to Washougal voters and will strengthen our council manager form of government.

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Alexandra Yost

Julie Russell

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST

Because the mayor is Washougal’s public representative is precisely why the people should decide. *If you believe you can elect competent mayors, then vote yes.* If you believe politicians should elect mayors because you might elect incompetents, then vote no. Few manager cities directly elect mayors because politicians rarely voluntarily relinquish power. Council-elected mayors can promote instability and conflict. The opposition assertion that directly elected mayors have ego issues is only their perception.

City of Washougal

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The City of Washougal is asking voters to decide whether to have the Mayor be directly elected. Currently, the Chair (the Mayor) is chosen by the Council from among its membership every two years - the default method for selecting the Mayor under state law for Council-Manager cities. The alternative method in state law for selecting the Mayor in Council-Manager cities is to designate Council position #1 as Mayor, with a direct election for Mayor every four years. This proposition would designate Council position #1 as Mayor, providing for the direct election of Mayor every four years, beginning in 2021.

STATEMENT AGAINST

Proposition 9 turns backwards

Two years ago, the citizens of Washougal voted to change our form of government, from Mayor-Council to Council-Manager. Therefore, the City Manager is executive. Council is Legislative. Our Mayor has *no executive authority* and serves primarily as Council Chair. Proposition 9 doesn't change that even though it appears to. Elected Mayor adds unnecessary bureaucracy, and confusion without useful purpose.

Selection, by Council majority, allows proper vetting of experience, and qualification. Council choosing its chair leads to better Council legislative function. Mayor should serve the Washougal community and not an ego. Previously, elected Mayor's set secret agendas, isolated Council from staff, from information and reports, and caused significant problems for Washougal.

The Mayor is the public representative of our community. An Elected Mayor, even though incompetent or worse, isn't easily removed. You're stuck! If needs be, Council-chosen Mayors are easily and promptly replaced. Council Members are elected to four-year terms, and half the Council goes up for election every two years. If voters want change, they can vote for change every 2 years instead of waiting 4 years for an elected Mayor. Four years is too long for a title with no authority! Renewable two-year term makes more sense.

Of all the Council-Manager "Code Cities" in Washington State, only Olympia directly elects their Mayor, and, within recent memory, have found themselves "stuck." Should we copy Olympia? (Note: "Charter City" Vancouver elects their Mayor. "Charter City" very different than "Code City")

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REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR

Statement For creates misunderstanding. In 2018, the people voted to do away with Mayor as we know it, in favor of Council/Manager government. Council was empowered by the people to govern our city. Proposition 9 doesn't change that. Mayor is Chair of Council, no more, no less. Chair, if chosen by Council to foster good function, leads to better community, Directly elected mayor, if at odds with Council, ties us in knots, blocks good government.

City of Washougal

Proposition No. 10

Replacement Levy for Fire and Emergency Medical Services

The City Council of the City of Washougal adopted Resolution 1189 concerning renewing an increase in Washougal's regular property tax levy for fire and emergency medical services.

To fund fire and emergency medical services, this proposition authorizes an increase in the City of Washougal's regular tax levy for collection in 2021 of ten cents (\$0.10) per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. If this proposition is approved the City's total 2021 regular levy rate will not exceed \$2.10 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. Levy amounts in the five years following 2021 will be limited as provided under RCW chapter 84.55.

Should this proposition be approved?

Yes No

STATEMENT FOR

This is a Fire and Emergency Medical Services Levy that will keep in place the current expiring levy. The levy is essential for public safety. Washougal and Camas merged their fire departments (CWFD) for improved response times and a more cost-effective service delivery. If this levy fails it may jeopardize the merger. Washougal residents have clearly seen an increase in service quantity and quality the Washougal fire station provides. One notable change since the merger is incorporation of an advanced life-support ambulance staffed with paramedics responding from the Washougal fire station. Our ambulances provide advanced emergency medical treatment and transport and are co-located at the Washougal fire station with a staffed fire engine. This response model allows an ambulance and a fire engine to simultaneously respond to any emergency. Many of the improvements in the services provided can be attributed to the previous passage of this levy.

We must have the right resources for rapid response and have the right skills to save your life or that of your family. Our paramedics now have the skills and equipment to evaluate and treat heart attacks, strokes, breathing difficulties, diabetic emergencies and trauma shock with advanced life support techniques. We must be proactive and make sure Fire and EMS services for Washougal are ready and waiting to ensure a positive outcome because in emergency every minute counts.

Vote yes to support your fire department and paramedic services because the next call for help could be from you.

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Kevin West

Rod Morris

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The City of Washougal is asking voters to decide whether to temporarily increase property taxes by a levy rate of ten cents (\$0.10) per \$1,000 of assessed value to maintain fire, EMS and ambulance services. The proposition would renew the temporary ten cent levy voters approved in 2014 that expires in 2020. Current law restricts the annual increase in the City's levy to one percent or the rate of inflation, whichever is less. This proposition would increase the City's 2021 levy rate by ten cents (\$40 annually for a \$400,000 home), plus legally limited one percent annual increases from 2022-2026.

No statements were submitted for:

STATEMENT AGAINST

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR

City of Washougal Proposition No. 9

Resolution No. 1188

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Washougal providing for the submission to the voters of the City, at the special election to be held in conjunction with the general election to be held therein on November 3, 2020, a proposition of whether the City should designate Council position number one as the Chair; (Mayor) and requesting the Clark County Auditor to place the proposition on such special election to be held in conjunction with the general election ballot.

WHEREAS, in November 2018, Washougal voters approved a proposition to change the form of government of Washougal from Mayor-Council to Council-Manager, operating pursuant to Washington law; RCW Chapter 35A.13;

AND WHEREAS, under the Council-Manager form of government, the Chair of the Council (Mayor) is selected every two-years by the Council from its own membership, pursuant to state law; RCW Chapter 35A.13.030;

AND WHEREAS, RCW 35A.13.033 provides for an alternative means of selecting the Chair (Mayor); providing that the City Council of a Council-Manager city may by resolution place before the voters of the city, a proposition to designate the person elected to Council position one as the Chair (Mayor) of the Council;

AND WHEREAS, in the resolution placing the change in form of government proposition on the November 2018 ballot, the Council resolved that if the proposition to change the form of government to Council-Manager was approved it was the Council's intention to submit to voters a proposition to designate Council position one as Chair (Mayor);

AND WHEREAS, if a proposition to designate Council position one as Chair (Mayor) is approved, it would not immediately affect the incumbent in Council position one, rather, at the next election for Council position one, it would be for Chair (Mayor);

AND WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that designating Council position one as Chair (Mayor) is preferable to the Council selecting the Chair (Mayor) from its own membership;

AND WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the best interests and general welfare of the City would be served by submitting to the qualified voters in the City of Washougal, the proposition of whether the City should designate Council position number one as the Chair (Mayor);

AND WHEREAS, the City Council desires that the special election to be held in conjunction with the general election to be held therein on November 3, 2020, include on the ballot for qualified voters of the City of Washougal, the proposition of whether the City should designate Council position number one as the Chair (Mayor);

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WASHOUGAL, WASHINGTON as follows:

Section I. In accordance with RCW 35A.13.033 and RCW 29A.04.330 and other applicable state law, the City Council hereby requests and calls for the Clark County Auditor to include on the ballot for the special election to be held in conjunction with the general election to be held therein on November 3, 2020, in the City of Washougal, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Washougal, the proposition of whether the City should designate Council position number one as the Chair (Mayor).

Section II. The proposition to be submitted at the special election to be held in conjunction with the general election shall be in the form of a ballot title prepared by the City Attorney to read substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION NO. 9

DESIGNATION OF COUNCIL POSITION NUMBER ONE AS CHAIR WITHIN THE CITY OF WASHOUGAL

Shall the City of Washougal designate Council position number one as the Chair (Mayor)?

Yes No

Section III. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Clark County Auditor.

Section IV. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Washougal on the 13th day of July, 2020.

City of Washougal, Washington

s/Molly Coston

Molly Coston, Mayor

ATTEST:

s/Jennifer Forsberg

Jennifer Forsberg, Finance Director/City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

s/Kenneth B. Woodrich

Kenneth B. Woodrich, City Attorney

City of Washougal No. 10

Resolution No. 1189

A RESOLUTION of the City Council of the City of Washougal providing for the submission to the qualified voters of the City, at the special election to be held in conjunction with the general election to be held therein on November 3, 2020, of a proposition authorizing the City to increase its regular property tax levy above the limit established in chapter 84.55.010 RCW for six years to provide funds for fire and emergency medical services; and requesting the Clark County Auditor to place the proposition on such general municipal election ballot.

WHEREAS, the City of Washougal (the “City”) provides fire and emergency medical services to its citizens;

AND WHEREAS, the voters of the City approved a levy lid lift of ten cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2006 covering the years 2007 through 2012 for the purpose of maintaining and enhancing the level of service for emergency medical services in the community;

AND WHEREAS, the voters of the City approved a levy lid lift of ten cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2014 covering the years 2015 through 2020 for the purpose of maintaining and enhancing the level of service for fire and emergency medical services in the community;

AND WHEREAS, said levy lid lift expires at the end of 2020;

AND WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is desirable to maintain service levels for fire and emergency medical services;

AND WHEREAS, replacing the expiring levy lid lift of ten cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation will provide funding to support maintaining service levels for fire and emergency medical services;

AND WHEREAS, with the approval of the City’s voters, the City can increase its regular property tax levy to provide for fire and emergency medical services;

AND WHEREAS, using preliminary information provided by the Clark County Assessor’s Office the City estimates that its regular property tax levy for 2021 will be approximately \$1.91 per \$1,000 of assessed value (not including the proposed replacement levy lid lift) or \$1.19 below the \$3.10 rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation permitted by statute, providing the potential for a levy lid lift;

AND WHEREAS, if voters approve the proposed replacement levy lid lift for fire and EMS services the City Council will assess a levy in 2020 for collection in 2021 that will result in a regular levy rate of not more than ten cents per \$1,000 of assessed value higher than the regular levy rate would have been without voter approval of the fire and EMS replacement levy lid lift;

AND WHEREAS, the exact rate for the City’s regular property tax levy for 2021 will not be known until later in 2020 and must be estimated for purposes of preparing a proposition for a replacement levy lid lift to be voted on in the November 2020 election and the City has used a maximum levy rate of \$2.10 per \$1,000 of assessed value in the ballot title to provide a margin of error for potential changes in assessed value prior to the end of 2020;

AND WHEREAS, at Council meetings and workshops held on January 13, 2020, February 24, 2020, March 9, 2020, May 15, 2020, May 26, 2020 and July 13, 2020, the City Council discussed the fire and ems program, the potential replacement levy lid lift and the

community survey question regarding the lid lift, and received presentations regarding the same;

AND WHEREAS, the citizens of Washougal had an opportunity to address Council regarding the proposed replacement levy lid lift;

AND WHEREAS, the results of the 2020 Community Survey indicate strong support for a replacement lid lift of ten cents per \$1,000 of assessed value,

AND WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the best interests and general welfare of the City would be served by submitting to the qualified voters in the City of Washougal, a proposition authorizing the City to increase its regular property tax levy above the limit established in chapter 84.55.010 RCW for six years to provide funds for fire and emergency medical services;

AND WHEREAS, the City Council desires that the special election to be held in conjunction with the general election to be held therein on November 3, 2020, include on the ballot for qualified voters of the City of Washougal, the proposition of whether the City should increase the regular property tax levy by no more than ten cents per \$1,000 assessed valuation for six years to fund fire and emergency medical services, and that in any event this rate will not exceed by more than ten cents per \$1,000 assessed valuation the rate which would be assessed if this replacement levy lid lift is not approved;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF WASHOUGAL, WASHINGTON as follows:

Section I. The City Council hereby requests and calls for the Clark County Auditor to include on the ballot for the special election to be held in conjunction with the general election to be held therein on November 3, 2020, in the City of Washougal for the purpose of submitting to the qualified voters of the City of Washougal the proposition of whether the City should increase the regular property tax levy by no more than ten cents per \$1,000 assessed valuation for six years to fund fire and emergency medical services.

Section II. The proposition to be submitted at the election shall be in the form of a ballot title prepared by the City Attorney to read as follows:

PROPOSITION NO. 10

REPLACEMENT LEVY FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

The City Council of the City of Washougal adopted Resolution 1189 concerning renewing an increase in Washougal’s regular property tax levy for fire and emergency medical services.

To fund fire and emergency medical services, this proposition authorizes an increase in the City of Washougal’s regular tax levy for collection in 2021 of ten cents (\$0.10) per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. If this proposition is approved the City’s total 2021 regular levy rate will not exceed \$2.10 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. Levy amounts in the five years following 2021 will be limited as provided under RCW chapter 84.55. Should this proposition be approved?

Yes No

Section III. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Clark County Auditor.

City of Washougal No. 10

Resolution No. 1189

Section IV. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution.

PASSED by the Council of the City of Washougal on the 27th day of July, 2020.

City of Washougal, Washington

s/Molly Coston

Molly Coston, Mayor

ATTEST:

s/Jennifer Forsberg

Jennifer Forsberg, Finance Director/City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

s/Kenneth B. Woodrich

Kenneth B. Woodrich, City Attorney

This form is provided for citizens who need to register to vote or update their existing registration.



Instructions

Use this form to register to vote or update your current registration.

Print all information clearly using black or blue pen. Mail this completed form to your county elections office (address on back).

Deadline

This registration will be in effect for the next election if postmarked no later than the Monday four weeks before Election Day.

Voting

You will receive your ballot in the mail. Contact your county elections office for accessible voting options.

Public Information

Your name, address, gender, and date of birth will be public information.

Notice

Knowingly providing false information about yourself or your qualifications for voter registration is a class C felony punishable by imprisonment for up to 5 years, a fine of up to \$10,000, or both.

Public Benefits Offices

If you received this form from a public benefits office, where you received the form will remain confidential and will be used for voter registration purposes only.

Registering or declining to register will not affect the assistance provided to you by any public benefits office. If you decline to register, your decision will remain confidential.

If you believe someone interfered with your right to register, or your right to privacy in deciding whether to register, you may file a complaint with the Washington State Elections Division.

Contact Information

If you would like help with this form, contact the Washington State Elections Division.

web www.vote.wa.gov
call (800) 448-4881
email elections@sos.wa.gov
mail PO Box 40229
 Olympia, WA 98504-0229

For official use:

Washington State Voter Registration Form

Register online at www.myvote.wa.gov.

1 Personal Information

last name _____ first _____ middle _____

date of birth (mm / dd / yyyy) _____ male female

residential address in Washington _____ apt # _____

city _____ ZIP _____

mailing address, if different _____

city _____ state and ZIP _____

phone number (optional) _____ email address (optional) _____

2 Qualifications

If you answer *no*, do not complete this form.

yes no **I am a citizen of the United States of America.**
 yes no **I will be at least 18 years old by the next election.**

3 Military / Overseas Status

yes no **I am currently serving in the military.**
 Includes National Guard and Reserves, and spouses or dependents away from home due to service.

yes no **I live outside the United States.**

4 Identification — Washington Driver License, Permit, or ID

If you do not have a Washington driver license, permit, or ID, you may use the last four digits of your Social Security number to register. x x x - x x -

5 Change of Name or Address

This information will be used to update your current registration, if applicable.

former last name _____ first _____ middle _____

former residential address _____ city _____ state and ZIP _____

6 Declaration

I declare that the facts on this voter registration form are true. I am a citizen of the United States, I will have lived at this address in Washington for at least thirty days immediately before the next election at which I vote, I will be at least 18 years old when I vote, I am not disqualified from voting due to a court order, and I am not under Department of Corrections supervision for a Washington felony conviction.

sign here [

date here [