

Clark County Official Local **Voters' Pamphlet**

November 3, 2015 General Election



**24-hour drive-up
ballot drop boxes**

3 convenient
locations

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Auditor's letter

Clark County Voter,

We are pleased to provide three drive-up ballot drop boxes that are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week beginning on October 16th. These are located in East Vancouver at the Fisher's Landing Transit Center on 3510 SE 164th Avenue, downtown Vancouver on West 14th and Esther streets and at Battle Ground City Hall on 109 SW 1st Street. On election day there are also staffed ballot drop sites. A complete listing of the ballot drop off boxes can be found on pages 32 and 33 of this voters' pamphlet.

This Local Voters' Pamphlet contains information about candidates for offices and issues that may not appear on your ballot. Producing a single version of the voters' pamphlet and mailing it to every household in the county is much less complex and expensive than creating a voters' pamphlet for each of the 102 ballot styles used in this election.

Keeping your mailing address current with the Elections Office will enable us to send you the ballot you are entitled to vote. Every election we receive back thousands of ballots that could not be delivered to voters because they moved and did not update their address with us. If you move, or are temporarily away from your mailing address, please contact the Elections Office by phone: (360) 397-2345, by email: elections@clark.wa.gov, or online at clarkvotes.org.

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

Again this year, preliminary election results will be released at Gaiser Hall at Clark College at 1800 E McLoughlin Blvd., Vancouver at approximately 8:30 pm on Election Day. Election results are also available online at clarkvotes.org.

This voters' pamphlet is designed to help you make important decisions in this year's General Election. You have the opportunity to vote for candidates and for issues that will affect you and your family.

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

Sincerely,



Greg Kimsey
Clark County Auditor

Participating districts—Clark County; cities of Battle Ground, Camas, La Center, Ridgefield, Vancouver, Washougal and Woodland; town of Yacolt; Battle Ground, Camas, Evergreen, Green Mountain, Hockinson, La Center, Mt. Pleasant, Ridgefield, Vancouver, Washougal and Woodland school districts; Clark County Fire & Rescue; East County Fire & Rescue; fire protection districts 2, 3, 5, 6, 10 and 13; cemetery districts 1, 4, 5 and 6; Clark Regional Wastewater District; Camas-Washougal, Ridgefield and Vancouver port districts; Woodland Swimming Pool and Recreation District.

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Did you know?

- Ballots will be mailed out Friday, October 16, 2015. If you don't receive your ballot by Friday, October 23, please contact the Elections Office at (360) 397-2345.
- The post office does not forward ballots. If you have moved, please call us at (360) 397-2345, email us at elections@clark.wa.gov or come to the Elections Office at 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver, to change your address and get a replacement ballot.
- No postage is required if you deposit your voted ballot in one of the three 24-hour drop boxes prior to Election Day or any one of the 33 drop off locations on Election Day.
- You can plan ahead and receive and/or return a ballot if you are out of town or out of the country at election time. Please contact the Elections Office before you leave.
- Mailing your voted ballot on Election Day does not guarantee it will be postmarked in time to be counted. If you mail in your ballot for the General Election, the post office recommends mailing it by Friday, October 30. If you return your ballot after Friday, October 30, please see page 32 for drop off locations to guarantee your ballot will be received on time. More than 500 ballots were received too late to count for the Primary.
- You must sign your ballot envelope for your vote to count. In the last election, more than 150 ballots were not signed and could not be counted. Be sure to sign the correct ballot envelope if there are multiple voters in your household.



- Election workers check every signature on every ballot envelope against the signature on file for each voter. More than 1,000 signatures were challenged in the August Primary. It's a felony to sign someone else's ballot envelope on his or her behalf under any circumstances.
- It's OK if you forget to put your ballot in the yellow secrecy envelope prior to putting it in the white ballot envelope. The yellow secrecy envelope is an extra measure to protect the secrecy of your ballot, but it is not required.
- Processing ballots with cartoon or fictitious characters as write-in candidates wastes taxpayer dollars and time.

Note: To significantly reduce taxpayer costs, only a single version of the voters' pamphlet is mailed to every household in Clark County. It is not tailored to any particular district.

Washington residents who are not already registered to vote in Washington may register in-person at the Elections Office no later than Monday, October 26. The Elections Office is located at 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver.

A reminder to vote

Registering to vote

Registering takes only a few minutes, and you may do it by mail or online at clarkvotes.org. You must com-

plete a voter registration form if you are registering for the first time in Washington or if you have moved to a new county. If you have moved within the same county, you may complete a new form or contact the Elections Office by mail, email or phone. Registration forms are available during business hours at public libraries, schools when they are open, city and town halls, and the County Elections Office.

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, and live in Clark County 30 days prior to the election.

MyVote

register to vote | my voting information

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 35) 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 (360) 397-2345

email elections@clark.wa.gov

mailing address PO Box 8815, Vancouver, WA 98666-8815

street address 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver, WA 98660

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 upcoming November 3 General 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

League of Women Voters

For a schedule of events or candidate forums, see their website at lwvwa.org/clark/



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.
- The Vancouver Community Library has computers with internet connections available for public use.

Accessible voting

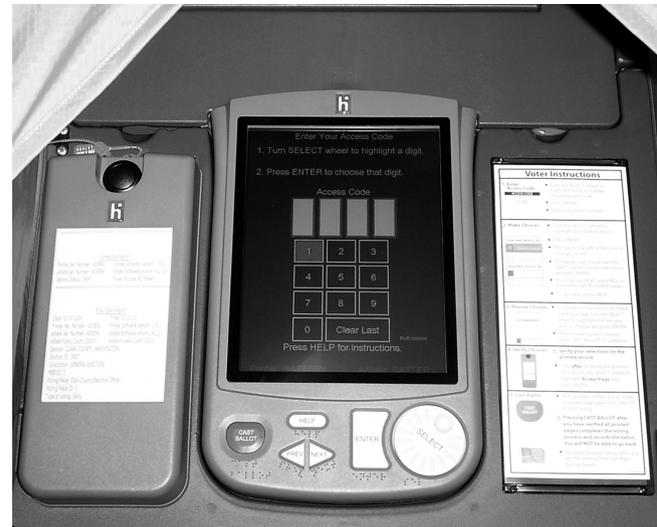
Using the eSlate

Clark County voters with disabilities have the option of casting a truly secret ballot using an accessible voting unit.

The eSlate accessible voting unit is a direct record 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 eSlate is in a booth that is wheelchair-accessible. The photo to the right is of the eSlate, encased in its booth.

Beginning 18 days before each election, this accessible voting machine is available from 8 am to 5 pm at the Clark County Elections Office, 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver.

The Elections Office may be reached by taking C-Tran bus #25 Fruit Valley and St. Johns Route. You will be let off at Franklin Street and Mill Plain Blvd.



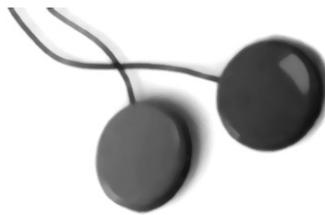
The eSlate accessible voting unit

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.



- 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 move through the ballot. Sip to move through the ballot. Puff to mark your choice.

new 24-hour ballot drop boxes



Voters now have three options for dropping off their voted ballots, starting on October 16 for the November 3, 2015, General Election.

In North county, voters will be able to submit ballots using a new, 24-hour drive-up ballot drop box installed in the parking area at **Battle Ground City Hall, 109 SW 1st Street, Battle Ground.**

In East county, voters will be able to submit ballots using another new, 24-hour drive-up ballot drop box at **Fisher's Landing Transit Center, 3510 SE 164th Avenue, Vancouver.**

Remember: the original big red ballot drop box is available at **West 14th and Esther streets in downtown Vancouver.**

3 convenient locations!

**Battle Ground
Fisher's Landing
Downtown Vancouver**

- Open 24 hours a day
- Drive-up ballot drop box makes it accessible and convenient
- Available 24 hours a day starting 18 days before an election
- A stamp is not needed when depositing a ballot in a drop box or at a deposit location

Questions?

Clark County Elections Office
(360) 397-2345
elections@clark.wa.gov

Ballot deposit locations

If you wish to return your voted ballot in person before the General Election, starting on October 16, take it to the:

Clark County Elections Office

1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver
8 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday

If you lose your ballot or it becomes damaged, you can obtain a replacement ballot **only** at this location.

Red permanent ballot drop boxes *Available 24 hours a day.*

Downtown Vancouver (one-half block east of the Elections Office)
West 14th and Esther streets

Battle Ground City Hall Parking Lot
109 SW 1st Street, Battle Ground

Fisher's Landing Transit Center
3510 SE 164th Avenue, Vancouver

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3, 2015. If you wish to return your voted ballot **in person on Election Day**, take it to one of the red ballot drop boxes before 8 pm. In addition, election workers will be present to accept completed ballots **only** on Election Day from 7 am to 8 pm at the following locations:

Clark County Elections Office 1408 Franklin Street, Vancouver

Battle Ground High School 300 W Main Street, Battle Ground

Burton Elementary School 14015 NE 28th Street, Vancouver

Chinook Elementary School 1900 NW Bliss Road, Vancouver

Crestline Elementary School 13003 SE 7th Street, Vancouver

Dorothy Fox Elementary School 2623 NW Sierra Street, Camas

Eleanor Roosevelt Elementary School 2921 Falk Road, Vancouver

Ellsworth Elementary School 512 SE Ellsworth Road, Vancouver

Felida Elementary School 2700 NW 119th Street, Vancouver

Fisher's Landing Elem School 3800 SE Hiddenbrook Dr, Vancouver

Glenwood Heights Primary School 9716 NE 134th Street, Vancouver

Grace Foursquare Gospel Church 717 SE Everett Road, Camas

Hazel Dell Elementary School 511 NE Anderson Road, Vancouver

Helen Baller Elementary School 1954 NE Garfield Street, Camas

Hockinson Middle School 15916 NE 182nd Avenue, Brush Prairie

Image Elementary School 4400 NE 122nd Avenue, Vancouver

La Center Community Center 1000 E 4th Street, La Center

Lincoln Elementary School 4200 Daniels Street, Vancouver

M.L. King Elementary School 4801 Idaho Street, Vancouver

Mill Plain Elementary School 400 SE 164th Avenue, Vancouver

Minnehaha Elementary School 2800 NE 54th Street, Vancouver

Pleasant Valley School 14320 NE 50th Avenue, Vancouver

Prune Hill Elementary School 1601 NW Tidland Street, Camas

Ridgefield Nazarene Church 747 Pioneer Street, Ridgefield

Riverview Elementary School 12601 SE Riveridge Drive, Vancouver

Salmon Creek Elementary School 1601 NE 129th Street, Vancouver

Sarah J. Anderson Elem School 2215 NE 104th Street, Vancouver

Sifton Elementary School 7301 NE 137th Avenue, Vancouver

Sunset Elementary School 9001 NE 95th Street, Vancouver

Walnut Grove Elementary School 6103 NE 72nd Avenue, Vancouver

Washougal Community Center 1681 C Street, Washougal

Yacolt Primary School 406 W Yacolt Road, Yacolt

Voting instructions

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

- Instruction sheets that explain the voting process.
- The official ballot where you will mark your choices.
- A yellow secrecy envelope with instructions printed on it.
- A return affidavit envelope with a green stripe that is addressed to the County Auditor.

To make sure your vote is counted, please follow the steps below when you receive your ballot packet.

- 1 Read the following instructions** that explain how to vote in this election.
- 2 Read the ballot.** It contains all the races and measures that you can vote on.
- 3 Mark your ballot by completely filling in the box to the left of your choice with a black or blue ink pen.**

*Example:
Candidate 2 has been chosen in the library district race. One candidate has been marked and the box is filled in completely.*

- 4 Optional.** If you want to vote for a candidate not appearing on the ballot, completely fill in the box to the left of the write-in choice and use the line provided.

- 5 Check your ballot to be sure you have voted for all the candidates and measures you intended to.** Make sure you voted for only one candidate in each race and only one choice in each measure. If you vote for more than one candidate, or for more than one choice in a measure, your votes in that race or measure will be rejected. Your other votes in other races and measures will be counted if they are done correctly.

If you make a mistake marking your ballot, draw a line through the entire candidate's name as shown below. You then have the option of making another choice.

- 6 Refold the ballot in the same way you received it and place it inside the yellow secrecy envelope.** Then seal it. Don't write on this envelope.
- 7 Place the yellow secrecy envelope into the white affidavit envelope with the green stripe.**
- 8 Read the declaration on the affidavit envelope, seal your envelope and then sign and date it.**
- 9 Put a first-class stamp (49¢) on the envelope and mail it so it is postmarked no later than November 3.**

You may also deliver your completed ballot in person. Please see pages 32 and 33 for information about ballot deposit locations. A stamp is not needed if you place your ballot in a drop box.

If you need help, call the Elections Office at (360) 397-2345.

County Partisan Office

Clark County Council Chair (At-Large)



Mike Dalesandro

Prefers Democratic Party

Clark County deserves leadership that brings people together to protect the quality of life we enjoy. Our families need an advocate who will focus on public safety, job creation, transportation improvements, and responsible government spending – I will be that advocate. I'm supported by a broad spectrum of community members ready for a new voice in leadership with a balanced,

collaborative approach to County government. I'm ready to work with you to build a promising future for Clark County. I ask for your vote.

address Dalesandro for County Chair
13215 SE Mill Plain Blvd. Ste. C-8 #157
Vancouver 98684-6999
phone (360) 949-6328
email Mike4CouncilChair@gmail.com
website Mike4CouncilChair.com



Marc Boldt

States No Party Preference

Taking off my suit to drive truck has given me new insight into the Council Chair position and, more important, how you should act in it. I grew up here on a farm, went through Evergreen schools, was your state representative and your county commissioner, and these experiences have led me to rely on you the voter rather than a letter behind my name. I'm politically moderate and

financially conservative, and I believe that serving as Council Chair should be about serving our community, not special interests. If you entrust me with your vote, I will do just that.

address Marc Boldt
19405 NE 112th Street
Brush Prairie 98606
phone (360) 635-1708
email Marc@MarcBoldt.com
website MarcBoldt.com

Clark County Council District No. 2



Julie Olson

Prefers Republican Party

I love Clark County! As a 22-year resident, this is my home. I bring a strong, independent voice to the County Council. My vision for Clark County includes strong community partnerships, essential public safety funding, and effective economic development to grow jobs in Southwest Washington; all with a fiscally conservative eye on taxpayer dollars.

As Ridgefield School Board President for 6 years and with a 28-year successful business career, I'm a proven problem solver. I understand the value of collaboration and community involvement. I'll take that leadership experience to the Council. I'll be honored to earn your vote!

address Friends to Elect Julie Olson
16708 NE 30th Court, Ridgefield 98642
phone (360) 609-3145
email Julie@JulieOlsonforClark.com
website JulieOlsonforClark.com



Chuck Green

Prefers Democratic Party

You need a leader and team builder with over two decades of experience serving our community. Someone who proves, time and again, he will bring diverse groups together for a common cause. Someone you trust, who needs no learning curve to represent you in Clark County government. Someone who will give you a voice, who brings civility back to Clark County government.

Someone who will work to improve our community without raising taxes.

I bring you all of these qualities, along with a strong sense of community and family values.

Please vote for me for Clark County Council District 2.

phone (360) 449-2132
email Chuck4ClarkCouncil@gmail.com
website Chuck4ClarkCouncil.com

City of Vancouver Council Position No. 4



Bart Hansen

As your city councilman, my vote has always been to maintain public safety and basic services and to protect the most vulnerable in our community; our seniors and our kids. Married and raising a young family in Vancouver, I believe our community needs to be thoughtful about the future. Listening to the views of all citizens is how our city will become more inclusive and vibrant.

I am asking for your vote and continued support

for my vision of Vancouver – One Community, Safe and Prosperous. Please contact me with your ideas, questions and/or concerns.

address Bart Hansen
PO Box 1803, Vancouver 98668
phone (360) 921-5592
email BartHansen@barthansen.com
website BartHansen.com



Justin M. Forsman

I am concerned with some of the direction that Vancouver has been taking.

Slightly, over than a year ago now... I submitted a *notice of liability* to the city council and mayor, regarding *Water Fluoridation*.

I am for making the right decisions. Not just “trending” ones.

As *councilmember 4*, I will urge City of Vancouver to remove fluoride immediately, and advocate the costs of \$3,222,174.68 to areas that benefit our

Community effectively. I will focus on *Veterans needs, Members of our community, and protecting our constitution.*

It’s about time we remember what Liberty means in Washington.

Bring Back Liberty this November.

address Justin M. Forsman
2111 W 31st Street, Vancouver 98660
phone (360) 773-5634
email Forsman4Freedom@yahoo.com
website Forsman4Council.com

City of Vancouver Council Position No. 5



Ty Stober

Vancouver is a great city. *We deserve great leadership.* I am excited to apply my high tech and clean energy business experience to grow local jobs and make the city more efficient.

I have deep roots in Vancouver and a solid commitment to our families, businesses and community. As a statewide human rights advocate, I will be a voice for fairness and equity — *protecting services and nurturing opportunities for kids, seniors and our growing, diverse population.*

Together, we can grow in a way that protects safe, affordable, and vibrant neighborhoods and creates real economic opportunities for everyone.

address Ty Stober
PO Box 604, Vancouver 98666-0604
phone (360) 836-1049
email info@votety.com
website votety.com



Linda Glover

For 20 years, I have worked hand-in-hand with people across our community to build on successes and improve our quality of life. With two decades of business experience and community involvement, I work effectively with people of all backgrounds to convene and facilitate, listen, and make educated decisions that benefit our city. Let’s build a government that finds a way to be balanced and strong by facing challenges head-on, working

to find common ground, and building strong solutions that can unite our city and guide us into the future. I would be honored to have your vote.

address Linda Glover
509 California Court, Vancouver 98661
phone (360) 907-4447
email Linda@LindaGloverforVancouver.com
website LindaGloverforVancouver.com

City Nonpartisan Office

City of Vancouver **Council Position No. 6**



Bill Turlay

Vancouver City Council is making great strides in meeting its citizens' needs. Personally, in 2012, I led a successful effort to save Fire Station Six and 5 Police positions. Additionally, I serve on several Columbia River Economic Development Council committees, where we are dedicated to job creation.

My council priorities have remained steadfast:
#1 The People, their jobs, their quality of life;

#2 Funding Fire/Police operation; #3 Improved freight mobility/reduced congestion; #4 Increased economic development; #5 Funding street/bridge maintenance.

My work is not finished. I need your support and vote.

address Bill Turlay
PO Box 871705, Vancouver 98687
phone (360) 608-4689
email bill@billturlay.com
website BillTurlay.com



George R. Francisco

Vancouver deserves a city council member who will take an active role in making this city even better. Someone who'll be highly visible, listen to what our citizens want, and come up with feasible answers to achieve our goals. I have a forty-year history of community service involvement and a track record for making positive change happen. My priorities include fixing deteriorating roads, promoting economic growth and stability, and

increasing recreational opportunities for all ages in partnership with local businesses that will mutually benefit through their involvement. I am passionate about Vancouver - the city's interests are my interests.

address George R. Francisco
PO Box 87602, Vancouver 98687
phone (360) 518-9975
email Vote4George@q.com
website georgercandoit.com

City of Camas **Mayor**



Scott Higgins

It has been my pleasure to be the Mayor of Camas and I am honored to serve for another four years. Leading this city is a labor of love and as a lifelong member of this community, Camas makes me proud everyday. This city has accomplished so much through steady vision, good leadership, and hard work. We have been successful but

much more work is needed to preserve what we all love about Camas as we continue to grow. I will keep working tirelessly to help Camas remain a great place to live, work, learn, and play. Go Papermakers!

phone (360) 834-0848
email higgins360@comcast.net

City of Camas Council Ward 1, Position No. 1



Timothy J. Hazen

Camas is the envy of Clark County thanks to prudent, experienced leadership from the Mayor and Council. The spirit of collaboration embodied by the Council creates an environment where partnerships are formed and strong policies are created. As your city councilor, I will continue to focus on job creation and economic development; to protect valued city services through sound fiscal management; and to ensure community livability by managing growth.

I am excited to continue to offer my work experience and skills as a business owner to help Camas plan for the challenges of the future. Vote Hazen for City Council.

address Timothy J. Hazen
1526 NE 6th Avenue, Camas 98607
phone (503) 539-6988



Shawn High

After graduating from Washington State University, both my wife and I wanted to be a part of a small city to have a family and grow a business. Camas has been that prosperous city, attracting and growing responsible businesses while remaining a place that you are proud to grow up in. I see opportunities for Camas in both the downtown, and our unique outside opportunities in our growing park system.

I request your vote for an opportunity to serve Camas, to continue improving this community while keeping the same qualities that drew us all here.

address Shawn High
640 NW 10th Avenue, Camas 98607
phone (503) 880-0291

City of Camas Council Ward 2, Position No. 1



Bonnie Carter

Bonnie and her husband have been residents of Camas since 2002. Together they are raising four sons. She has been an active member in the community with volunteer work in the school district and local charities since moving to Camas. Bonnie has been active with the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), a board member for the Camas Educational Foundation, a member of the Citizens

Advisory Committee, and wants you to know that she will take the knowledge she has gained through this work to continue to serve the Camas community as your City Council Member.

address Bonnie Carter
2337 NW 47th Avenue, Camas 98607
phone (360) 281-6117
email CarterforCityCouncil@gmail.com

City of Camas Council Ward 3, Position No. 1



Greg K. Anderson

It has been an honor and privilege during the past 18 years to serve as your Camas councilmember.

I pledge to continue to safeguard important Camas qualities of balancing public safety, core services, financial stability, while managing growth.

Our community values being family oriented, with community partnerships, transparent governing, real job growth, respect for the

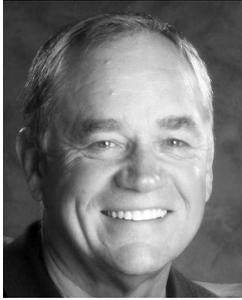
environment, supporting local businesses and open-mindedness.

Together we can balance the needs of today while planning for the future. With your vote we can keep Camas a great place for all. Thank you.

address Greg K. Anderson
PO Box 470, Camas 98607
phone (360) 281-3918
email ElectGregAnderson@gmail.com

City Nonpartisan Office

City of Camas Council At-Large



Don Chaney

Camas is a special place to live. I've lived in and served the citizens of Camas for over 42 years, as a police officer, police chief and city council member. I have a personal interest in sustaining the unique and exceptional qualities of our community. I believe I have the necessary experience, perspective and creativity to continue making a positive contribution. I hope you will allow me to *continue* as your voice on the Camas

City Council. I pledge to be accessible to hear your concerns and ideas. *Preserving our quality of life for future generations is my top priority.*

address Don Chaney
2535 NW Ivy Street, Camas 98607-9706
phone (360) 834-3242
email Camas_Cares@comcast.net

City of Battle Ground Council Position No. 2



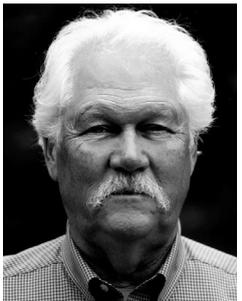
Shane A. Bowman

Having served as mayor last term, I am seeking re-election to continue projects that contribute to Battle Ground's livability. We secured funding for improvements to SW Parkway, and there are more transportation improvements that need attention. I support maintaining our city's safety by providing for well-equipped and well-staffed fire and police services.

I am a BYU-I educated entrepreneur and genuinely interested in the health and vitality of Battle Ground. I am a proven trustworthy leader and will keep our city moving forward in a healthy way.

email Bowman-4bg@comcast.net

City of Battle Ground Council Position No. 3



Steven Douglas Phelps

I care about our community. As residents of Battle Ground, my friend and wife, Judith, and I have raised three children who attended Battle Ground schools and Running Start.

We live in troubled times with a stagnant economy and a total lack of trust in government. I served on Battle Ground's Planning Commission. Traffic flow, public safety and water quality are major challenges. As an Air Force Veteran, Electrical

Engineer, and manager of businesses, I am an experienced leader, team builder, and problem solver.

Restoring common sense and integrity to government is essential. Join me.

Vote Steven Douglas Phelps.

address Steven Douglas Phelps
23804 NE 120th Court
Battle Ground 98604
phone (360) 687-0296
email phelpsteven2014@yahoo.com

City of Battle Ground Council Position No. 7



Philip Johnson

It's been an honor and a privilege to serve our community for the past four years. The recession was tough on all of us, and the City was no exception. However, we've turned the corner. We are looking at the way we do business, renegotiating contracts, cutting back where we can, and doing our best to derive the most benefit from each dollar spent. There are a number of challenges we face, primarily road maintenance,

public safety, and growth. I promise you to deal with all these issues as conservatively as possible, and ask for your vote in November.

phone (360) 910-4997
email plj7473@yahoo.com



Candy Bonneville

Local residents since 2000, my family and I love the mixed atmosphere of country and city living in Battle Ground. We've seen a lot of growth since we arrived, and the city is expected to continue in this direction. Battle Ground, as a hub for north Clark County needs a clear vision of its direction for the future. I have experience planning and implementing projects on tight budgets. I would like to put those same skills to work here in our

community, supporting policies that strengthen our economy and move us forward, while maintaining our current balances and affordability.

phone (360) 723-0207
email bonnevilleforbattleground7@gmail.com
website candybonneville.com

City of Washougal Council Position No. 2



Michelle C. Wagner

Councilwoman Wagner is currently serving in Washougal City Council Position 2. Michelle is a graduate of the U.S. Air Force Academy, and holds an M.B.A. from Western New England University. She currently serves as a Lieutenant Colonel in the USAF Reserves as an Admission Liaison Officer for the USAF Academy. Having spent the majority of her 23 Air Force years as a pilot, Michelle now

focuses on her family and her commitment to her community. She currently serves on the Washougal Finance and Community Development Committees, as the Park Board Council Liaison, and is a youth softball coach.

phone (360) 553-5585
email michellewagner91@yahoo.com

City Nonpartisan Office

City of Washougal **Council Position No. 4**



Joyce Lindsay

I have been proud to be your councilwoman since 2012 and now as an experienced councilmember, I would like to continue serving Washougal. As a retired businesswoman, I brought a needed voice to the council. Even through lean years we have continued to do good things. Increasing our street maintenance, purchasing new parks, stabilizing utility rates, building pickle ball courts and funding a feral cat program to

name a few. I ask for your support and your vote to keep moving Washougal forward. I know good government can make a positive difference in the everyday lives of citizens.

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Jason Dodge

I am a firm believer in government being limited in our lives, as much as possible. This starts at the local level for each of us in Washougal. I want to limit new taxes and fees, and minimize our rising utility costs, so that Washougal can be an affordable community. I will help Washougal attract jobs and businesses, keeping Washougal unique. Public safety is important to me. I want to ensure our Police and Fire Departments have all the tools

they need to keep Washougal safe. Allow me to help Washougal by electing me for City Council.

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City of Washougal **Council Position No. 5**

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Jennifer McDaniel

My priorities have remained constant throughout my service on the Washougal City Council: responsible stewardship of taxpayer dollars; maintain cost-effective, efficient City services including fire, police, utilities, roads and transportation; long range strategic planning for our city; promoting economic development and jobs for future generations; maintain positive working relationships with municipal

partners; appreciation and conservation of our parks, recreational areas; and preservation and enhancement of our historic downtown. I request your continued support as we move our community forward together, and I thank you for your vote.

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City of Washougal Council Position No. 7



Molly L. Coston

It would be an honor and privilege to serve the citizens of Washougal as a City Councilmember.

I'm committed to making the best use of your tax dollars with an efficient government, encouraging job growth, streamlining utility costs, and guaranteeing that public safety is a continuing priority. As a past councilmember, I have the depth of experience and leadership skills to ensure positive action.

I'm a woman of strong integrity who shares your values.

With your support we can make Washougal an even better place to live, work, and raise our families. I ask for your vote.

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Dan Coursey

It is a blessing for my wife and me to live and work in Washougal. As we grow and recover from the recession it is important that we build a sustainable infrastructure, with an eye to the future, while retaining our unique quality of life.

I believe in limited, transparent, fiscally responsible government that benefits the citizens, not special interests. My background as a Financial Analyst, and Systems Engineer provide skills to lead

into the future. I will pursue lowering utility bills, improving our streets, and attracting jobs.

I ask for your vote and the honor of serving you!

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City of Ridgefield Council Position No. 2



David Taylor

Ridgefield is a unique community, and I am proud to have served on the city council of this rapidly growing area for seven years. Families move to our city because they see an environment in which they want to raise their families; a safe, clean, and vibrant community with a vision for the future. I have the experience and integrity necessary to protect the small

town charm of Ridgefield amid the change. Growth as we have seen it presents many exciting opportunities and challenges. Vote for me so I may continue to serve you.

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Maria Salazar

Our Ridgefield holds much promise: a promise that can be realized only through new leadership. Forging a path where Ridgefield can be a vital, family-friendly community that thrives responsibly, where we build a prosperous economy. This requires hard-working leadership that is honest, open, accessible, and inclusive. Throughout my life I've been an advocate wherever I've been, and it would be a privilege to serve you on the Council.

I will keep my eyes focused on Ridgefield's future and I will be a strong pro-resident advocate. Together we can build the community we deserve. I appreciate your vote.

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City Nonpartisan Office

City of Ridgefield Council Position No. 3



Lee E. Wells

My great grandparents settled here in 1885. My family and I are graduates of RHS, and continue to maintain our family farm. I care about our community, have served as your Mayor-pro-tem for six years to maintain a healthy, vibrant city. The council has dealt with complex issues: land use, sewer and transportation. I promise to make sure your concerns are heard and represent

you to meet the challenges Ridgefield faces. I will continue to be an open, honest, informed voice, and encourage citizen participation to make good decisions and retain our "Ridgefield Charm."

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City of Ridgefield Council Position No. 5



Darren S. Wertz

City government is the most accessible, and relevant form of democracy.

I believe in clear communication and competent, compassionate and efficient government.

I will continue to strive to be empathetic and open to new ideas, while shaping the vision and together laying the ground work for the best

quality of life we perceive possible for present and future generations of our neighbors and families.

I am dedicated to Ridgefield, to you my neighbors and friends and honored to serve as your councilman.

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City of Ridgefield Council Position No. 7



Sandra Day

It is an honor to serve Ridgefield. I moved here in 2008. After I arrived, I knew that it would take more than just living here to call it home; I wanted to be an active participant in the community. I have been a longtime civic leader. Everywhere I lived and worked, volunteering was a strong component, whether small or large cities in Texas or California. Boards or membership are Board

CREDC; Parks Foundation; President, Rotary Club; Lions Club; Friends Wildlife Refuge; and American Legion. I pledge to maintain high levels of service. I earned an MBA, University Dallas.

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City Nonpartisan Office

Candidates 45

City of Woodland Mayor



Will Finn

The City of Woodland is facing many challenges. Our community needs a leader who can bridge the gap between government and community, creating a balanced partnership. The needs of our community are growing and we need a mayor who can facilitate this much needed partnership through leadership.

I am committed and focused on creating a strong base of government to help the City of

Woodland move forward in a positive, successful direction. I will create a transparent, open government, so that the community will be better informed to help make decisions that will steer the city on the correct course.

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City of Woodland Council Position No. 4



Karl A. Chapman

I was born and raised in Indiana. I graduated and joined the Army in 1985 and was stationed at Fort Lewis. Did a tour in Korea, was deployed to Desert Shield/Storm. While in the Northwest I met my beautiful wife Julie. We have lived in Woodland for over 20 years and have four wonderful kids. I'm a member of Woodland Lions Club. Was involved with Little League and high school baseball. I want

to help Woodland expand and grow to be a bright shining town of Washington State.

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Grover B. Laseke

It has been a privilege to serve as your mayor the past four years. My decision to retire at the end of 2015 ends 40+ years of fulltime public service. There are still many challenges and issues left to be worked on in the city. It would be an honor to continue to serve the community on the city council.

Over the past four years I have worked hard on the issues facing the Woodland community. With

your support and vote, I will continue to serve the citizens of Woodland on the city council. Contact me at groverforcouncil@gmail.com.

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City Nonpartisan Office

City of Woodland Council Position No. 5



Susan Humbyrd

It has been a privilege to serve Woodland since being appointed to the council in January of 2007. I have been active in many different programs and committees that focus on planned economic development, sustainable growth, tourism and building a strong future for our city. I will continue to work passionately toward these goals while keeping in mind Woodland's history and

maintaining our small-town feel that we cherish. I ask for the opportunity to continue to serve Woodland. Thank you for your vote.

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JJ Burke

Retired business owner and resident of Woodland, I'm proud to be a leader in community opportunities. I have owned and operated a business, directed the Woodland Planter's Days, retired 22½ years from US Coast Guard, served 3 elected terms as city councilmember.

Working as Executive Director for the Woodland Chamber of Commerce, and experienced to work the budget and will place public safety as a top

priority. We need safe streets where our children and seniors can be comfortable. We deserve a safe and economically stable community. We deserve exceptional leadership and strong professional management.

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City of Woodland Council Position No. 7



Matthew Jacobs

I am married with 2 children attending Woodland schools. I am an active volunteer with the Woodland YMCA and many local school and sporting events. I have attended multiple city council meetings and was a recent member on a zoning committee. As a person with long-term plans to raise my family in Woodland, I am very interested in being part of shaping Woodland for

the future. I think we need a common citizen on the board, someone everyone can be comfortable talking to. My goal is to be the voice of the community, voting with their interests in mind.

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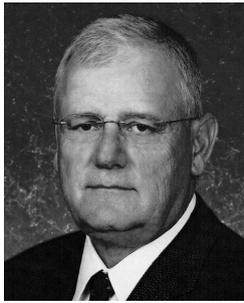
Mike Benjamin

As a 39-year resident of Woodland, I have always felt that Woodland is a great place to live and raise a family. Five of my children went to Woodland High School and we have been happy participating in the events of the City. Now that I'm retired I want to contribute to the City's growth and management and would like to see it become an even better place to live and raise a family. I'm learning a great deal since being appointed to the

Council and look forward to continuing to work hard for the benefit of Woodland.

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City of La Center Mayor



Greg Thornton

It has been my honor to serve the citizens of La Center as a City Councilmember since August 2010 as well as former Chair of the Planning Commission. My priorities will be to work with government and private partners to expand economic development, diversify our local economy, and create jobs. I will work to ensure future growth is coupled with appropriate city services while being fiscally responsible with

city revenues. My commitment is for an open and honest City government representing the interests of the citizens in our great community. I would appreciate your vote in November. Thank you.

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Al Luiz

A member of the La Center City Council and elected as Mayor Pro Tem for the past six years, Al is involved in all facets of City government. Al is a U.S. Air Force Veteran who served in Vietnam, a community activist and invested in the community thru family, schools and organizations. Al retired after 38 years in management and business. Qualified leadership is paramount in balancing

community services and fiscal resources. As a hands-on leader, Al will continue to collaborate and work with citizens and the City Council in developing a financially stable, safe and livable community.

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City of La Center Council Position No. 1



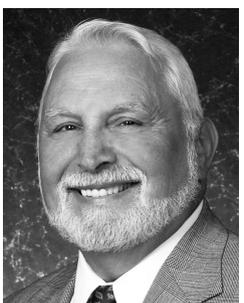
Heather Birdwell-Currey

Finding ways in keeping La Center safe, affordable and a great place for family are my top priorities. As a 20-year resident and manager for a local business (La Center Marketplace), I feel I can bring linkage between citizens, business and local government. I will work in finding common ground and uniting our city. I believe balanced, strong and

accountable leadership will result in meeting the challenges ahead of our small community.

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City of La Center Council Position No. 4



Joe Valenzuela

I've been active in many endeavors; Youth Coach in Boxing, Baseball, Volleyball, and Soccer. I've been Past President of the Early Edition Rotary in Longview and lead several humanitarian efforts for the Rotary to Mexico and Australia. I've been a community organizer working to help underprivileged community members to have a voice in local government.

If elected I will do my best to get community involvement in all decisions that come up for discussion at the city.

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City Nonpartisan Office

City of La Center **Council Position No. 5**

No photo submitted

Elizabeth M. Cerveny

I intend to serve the citizens of La Center professionally with a strong focus on the future. I look forward to working closely with the council as we continue to plan for the community's future making positive strides in achieving improved economic diversification, with commercial and professional development, and an active, ongoing recruitment of potential new businesses to the beautiful La Center community. I will continue

to carefully review and recommend prudently managing municipal expenditures in order to achieve these critically important improvements without incurring further unnecessary debt.

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Town of Yacolt **Mayor**



Jeff Carothers

I'm a 56-year-old retired Marine that works in the propane industry. I have been married for 25 years and have four grown sons. It has been an honor to be your Mayor. The Town of Yacolt is a great place to live and raise a family. I believe along with my team we have improved the Town in many ways. We have a new Skate Park, Library,

Recreation Park, Cell Tower and Signage. We have been more involved in County Boards and Meetings so the Town can have a voice in issues that matter to our voters.

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Town of Yacolt **Council Position No. 3**

Anthony Bronkhorst

No photo or statement submitted

Town of Yacolt **Council Position No. 5**

Jason Conrad Wallway

No photo or statement submitted

Vancouver School District No. 37 School Director Position No. 1



Heather Lindberg

If elected, I would make classroom needs the top priority for our district by engaging parents, educators, and the community in decision making. I'm consistently involved in schools and understand the challenges and opportunities our students, and educators, face. I will use my experience to improve outcomes for all students. I believe in open and honest communication with the community; continually striving to

bring different voices to the conversation. Our community's core values must be reflected in the educational opportunities we provide. Please, reach out to me and give me a chance to earn your vote.

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Dale Q. Rice

For several years it has been an honor to serve the students of Vancouver Public Schools with my banking and money management experience. Over those years, I have helped create the following programs in Vancouver Public Schools: Vancouver School of Arts and Academics, iTech Preparatory, International Baccalaureate (normally in private schools), Advanced Placement, and integration of computer/iPads with students for enhanced learning.

I continue to advocate for programs and technology that enhance the teacher/student learning experience. I serve for the students of Vancouver Public Schools, and will continue this mission of finding more ways to improve student achievement.

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Vancouver School District No. 37 School Director Position No. 4



Michelle Giovannozzi

The education of our children determines the future of our community. I am invested in a positive future and focused on improving student achievement and providing opportunity for all students to fulfill their highest educational and career potential. I support increased development of relevant, 21st century skills such as technology and STEM programs.

I have demonstrated dedication to education by serving 14 years as a director of the Foundation for Vancouver Public Schools, a member of the Citizens Committee for Good Schools, participation in District strategic planning, and as a volunteer in the VPS schools my children have attended.

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School District Nonpartisan Office

Vancouver School District No. 37 School Director Position No. 5



Rosemary Fryer

I have taught for 38 years, most of them in Clark County. I have taught very diverse students, worked with parents and community members, been a mentor and coach for teachers, and facilitated candidates for National Board certification. I am a strong advocate for public education. I will use my deep understanding of students and families to build upon the accomplishments of Vancouver Schools to provide

students a quality education. I want students to experience safe, healthy, and inspiring schools where their curiosity for learning and creativity are encouraged, and where the meeting of high, rigorous standards is required.

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Nada Wheelock

Education can transform children, families and communities. Working together, we can prepare all of our children to dream big and realize their fullest potential.

Across our district, educators and administrators collaborate with families, volunteers and community partners to extend and accelerate student achievement.

I have been honored to serve as a member of the Vancouver Public Schools board of directors. In the next four years, I will support fiscal responsibility and investments in innovation, high quality teaching, and the learning outcomes needed to ensure that all of our students are future ready.

No contact information provided

Evergreen School District No. 114 School Director District No. 2



Rob Perkins

It has been an honor to serve our community on the School Board over the last year. As a parent with children at all levels in Evergreen's schools, I have seen how public education has changed in response to a changing world.

Our educators work to integrate the approaches and technologies necessary to prepare our children for the world they will enter. My commitment is to oversee this transition

with an eye always on student safety, relevant outcomes, fiscal responsibility, and local voter control. I look forward to helping make sure our kids receive the best opportunities possible.

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Evergreen School District No. 114 School Director District No. 3



Victoria Bradford

Victoria has been an effective leader and representative for taxpayers and students. Her no excuses approach expanded opportunities for all students despite increased challenges in student demographics and years of budget cuts. The results: (1) Award winning schools (2) Above State average graduation rates (3) Expanded learning opportunities for students including full day kindergarten, extensive Advanced Placement and

career and technical courses, innovative business internships (4) Evergreen recognized as most fiscally efficient large district in Washington (5) Bond refinancing and Evergreen's nationally renowned energy efficiency program saved taxpayers millions. Your vote continues Victoria's advocacy for taxpayers and students.

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Frank Decker

There are serious problems in our schools and something must be done now. This year, 20% of Evergreen students won't graduate. One in three third graders will be unable to read as well as they should. We can and must do better. Based on 15 years of experience as a public educator and parent of three, the solution is clear: 1) Ensure our students read at, or above grade level; 2) Increase access to

technical training for expanded school-to-career opportunity; 3) Improve fiscal accountability and transparency to the taxpayers. For action, achievement and accountability, vote for Frank Decker.

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Evergreen School District No. 114 School Director District No. 4



Todd Yuzuriha

It has been an honor to serve on Evergreen's School Board.

My focus is improving the quality of education for every student and using our tax dollars efficiently.

As a retired Vice President of Engineering at Logitech and former Senior Director at Sharp, I solve problems collaboratively and strive for innovation. I am a 24-year resident of the District with three

children. My youngest child attends high school. I serve on the board for the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District, co-host "The Money JAR" podcast, and play trumpet with the Vancouver Pops Orchestra.

Thank you for your support.

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Battle Ground School District No. 119 School Director District No. 2

Ken Root

No photo submitted

I have been honored to serve as Battle Ground Public Schools Director - District 2 for the last four years. Being on the school board has given me the opportunity to work with community members and district staff to improve student learning. Please vote for me so that I can continue to do this important work. Thank you, I appreciate your support.

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School District Nonpartisan Office

Battle Ground School District No. 119 School Director District No. 4

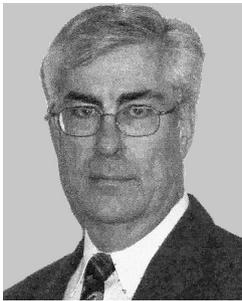


Mavis Nickels

13,000 students = 13,000 reasons that I seek re-election to the Battle Ground School District Board of Directors. Preparing students for life after school is a challenging, complex task. The workforce and employment market changes daily; schools must be flexible enough to meet this challenge, yet maintain consistent, rigorous course-work. Your student deserves every opportunity to learn and to attain their goals and

dreams. My experiences as educator, builder, farmer, and business woman have taught me the value of education. I will continue to work hard building on the successes of this great District.

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Dick Rylander

I bring broad education and experience along with a passion for learning. Four adult children and ten (10) grandchildren mean I want quality education. Setting standards, establishing cutting edge education including technology and trade schools while effectively using tax payers money is key to success.

Accountability, well paid teachers and students who have an environment to learn and excel

are among my foci. By electing me you marry education with practical real world experience which will translate into setting a vision for a more productive local educational system.

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Camas School District No. 117 School Director District No. 3

No photo submitted

Connie Hennessey

I am honored to have served the Camas community as a member of the School Board for the past nine years. We face many challenges over the coming four years, including managing and planning for our growing student population, continuing to attract and retain quality teachers and staff, and continuing to set high standards for student achievement while providing a caring, supportive and rich learning environment. I

am committed to working with my fellow board members, district staff, parents, community and business partners, and legislators to make this a reality for every student.

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Camas School District No. 117 School Director District No. 4



Doug Quinn

I have a passion for educating kids and believe public education for all children is a societal cornerstone. My wife Christy and I have been residents of Camas for over 25 years; our three children are products of Camas schools. Education is our gift to children and I'm dedicated to helping students realize their full potential and become productive community members. I bring useful

experience to this position including municipal governance, fiscal planning, community engagement, and effective consensus decision making. I've guided positive changes including all day kindergarten, student health, quality facilities and extracurricular offerings. Please vote Doug Quinn!

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Camas School District No. 117 School Director District No. 5



Mary Tipton

I seek to continue to serve on the Camas School Board because I believe in the importance of a strong public education system for our community. As a member of the board, I will work to ensure that our district strives for excellence in student learning and achievement in an environment of caring, quality and growth. The combination of my experience volunteering in the schools and over

27 years in finance and business management in the technology industry provide me with valuable skills to contribute in this position. I would greatly appreciate your vote.

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Washougal School District No. 112-6 School Director District No. 1

Teresa Lees

No photo or statement submitted

Washougal School District No. 112-6 School Director District No. 2

No photo submitted

Jason Ferrier

I am very excited to be running for Washougal School District's Board of Directors representing District 2. If elected, my central focus, and top priority will be improving student achievement. I intend to be open and available to the community to discuss concerns, suggestions, or opinions; so that together we can ensure the unique skills and talents every student is born with are best nurtured. The Washougal School Board, district

staff, and volunteers, are a dedicated group of people and their service to the community deserves much appreciation.

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Elaine Pfeifer

With the community support and hard work on the part of district staff, Washougal School District is poised for major growth and continued innovation. As a representative of District 2 since 2004, I have invested over 3,000 hours working with multiple board members and superintendents. My board experience and knowledge of the educational system as well as district history will help facilitate the transition of a

new Superintendent and the completion of major construction projects and initiatives ahead of us. Thank you for voting.

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School District Nonpartisan Office

Washougal School District No. 112-6 **School Director District No. 4**

Karen Rubino

No photo or statement submitted

Ridgefield School District No. 122 **School Director District No. 2**



Joseph Vance

Ridgefield has a long tradition of great schools. I am excited to continue working to ensure that great tradition continues long into the future. Thank you for your support of Ridgefield students.

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Ridgefield School District No. 122 **School Director District No. 3**



Steve Radosevich

I am proud to have served the last six years on the Ridgefield School Board. Over this time, the District has made great strides in providing students the best in education across multiple dimensions. Ridgefield School District's outstanding students, teachers, administrators, and staff are a key component of what makes Ridgefield a great place to live and raise a family.

The times ahead are exciting and yet challenging, as the District plans and prepares for substantial growth while continuously improving academic and extracurricular programs.

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Ridgefield School District No. 122 **School Director District No. 5**



Scott Gullickson

I'm committed to making a positive impact for Ridgefield Schools, striving to ensure a quality education for every student. I'll continue to work hard for the district through common sense decision making and fiscal responsibility. I'm highly active in the community and welcome open dialogue between all residents and the district. I

support high academic standards and am dedicated to maintaining quality programs that maximize student achievement. I have the skills and work ethic necessary to face the challenges ahead, and ask for your vote.

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Woodland School District No. 404-102 School Director District No. 1



Sarah Stuart

Sarah was raised in Woodland, attending Woodland schools and graduating with the class of 2000. She went on to earn her bachelor's degree in nursing from Linfield College, worked for Peace Health Southwest Medical Center for seven years, and is currently staying home to raise her young children ages six, three and one. Sarah loves this community and cares deeply about the education her children receive in Woodland schools. As our

community grows in size and diversity, she looks forward to seeking solutions to meet the needs of all children, regardless of differences in their cultural and socioeconomic background.

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Woodland School District No. 404-102 School Director District No. 2



Janice Watts

I was raised in Woodland and attended Woodland schools. After graduation I worked in the banking industry in Woodland and in Oregon. Having lived in Woodland for the last 25 years and raising my children here in the Woodland schools, it has been my privilege to serve on the school board for the last eight years. It's been a great experience learning to serve our community

through development and improvements in our schools. It is my desire to see the educational needs of all children who attend our schools met in the best possible way.

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Woodland School District No. 404-102 School Director District No. 3



Lesa Beuscher

I chose to call Ariel/Woodland home in 1992 after returning from Germany, where my husband was stationed with the Army. I've been married 25 years, employed by the same Woodland business 22 years and have two daughters. (A 2015 WHS graduate and a 10th grader.)

It's an exciting time for our district with the new high school, but I believe we may face challenges

with the growing population. My board experience with Lewis River Little League, Woodland Rotary and Planter's Days Committee, will help me serve the school board with discernment, integrity, and our students' best interest in mind.

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Hockinson School District No. 98 School Director District No. 3



Dave Olson

I have been a director on the Hockinson School Board for nine years, two of which I served as the board chair. I support a culture that ensures all students are provided the opportunity to become independent learners, the community is heard, and district wisely manages finances. I look forward to serving another term helping

to implement the facility improvements the community voted in.

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School District Nonpartisan Office

Hockinson School District No. 98 School Director District No. 4



Greg Gospe

As the longest serving member of the Hockinson Board of Directors, I am grateful for the long-term support I have received from the community. My goals are: 1.) to continue and to improve the broad-based educational excellence the district is known for, 2.) to continue being fiscally responsible and making the best use of the funds we are entrusted with and 3.) to ensure that the

projects that will be built or improved with our recently approved bond are completed on time and are under or within our budgetary constraints.

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Hockinson School District No. 98 School Director District No. 5



Katherine Davis

I am very dedicated to the future of our children and public education. I graduated from the University of Alaska where I earned my degree in Education. My husband and I relocated from Eagle River, Alaska to Vancouver in 1994 and eventually to Hockinson in 2001. I have spent many years volunteering and working in Clark County schools including Hockinson. I greatly

value our vision and the hard work performed everyday by our dedicated staff, students and parents in our district. I will serve with great honor representing our school community.

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La Center School District No. 101 School Director District No. 1

Cris Yaw

No photo submitted

I have lived in La Center 19 years and my three children graduated from La Center Schools.

I appreciated the education they received and want to give back. I have served on the School Board for eight years. I believe that if the Board creates a supportive school environment working with families, community, staff and students, we can unlock the potential in each child to become a self-reliant, lifelong learner.

No contact information provided

La Center School District No. 101 School Director District No. 4

Wendy Chord

No photo or statement submitted

La Center School District No. 101 School Director District No. 5

Eric Lindberg

No photo or statement submitted

School District Nonpartisan Office

Candidates 57

Green Mountain School District No. 103 School Director Position No. 1

Rick Syring

No photo or statement submitted

Green Mountain School District No. 103 School Director Position No. 4

Steven Hoffman

No photo or statement submitted

Green Mountain School District No. 103 School Director Position No. 5



Wendy Arends

One of the top reasons we moved to North County over 20 years ago was for the small school atmosphere where our children could receive top-quality education. Joining the PTSA, volunteering in classrooms, chairing events and joining the School Board has given me a full view of what makes our school great! Our diverse School Board and varied backgrounds bring a unique strength

to build Green Mountain. It is imperative that we continue to balance the financial needs, maintain our facilities and the quality education that we provide for the children of our community.

phone (360) 567-8141



Cameron Tormanen

I am seeking election to the Green Mountain School Board because I feel a strong responsibility to help our children and community achieve the best education for the money spent. I have lived my whole life in north Clark County and have children attending Green Mountain. My main concern is that all students graduate with the skills necessary to become responsible citizens in today's society. With 22 years of running a small business I feel I

have the knowledge and can-do attitude to help our community run a successful school. I am committed to helping our children.

email camerontormanen@gmail.com

Mt. Pleasant School District No. 029-93 School Director Position No. 2

Adele Olson

No photo or statement submitted

School District Nonpartisan Office

Mt. Pleasant School District No. 029-93 **School Director Position No. 3**

Karl Kanthak

No photo or statement submitted

Mt. Pleasant School District No. 029-93 **School Director Position No. 4**

Tanis Morris

No photo or statement submitted

Fire & Rescue Nonpartisan Office

Clark County Fire & Rescue **Commissioner Position No. 2**



James R. (Bob) Johnson

During the past 23 years as a Fire Commissioner with former District 11 and with Clark County Fire and Rescue, I have strongly supported the Fire Cadet Program and good quality training for all full-time, part-time and volunteer fire fighters to provide the best service for the public.

During our budget cuts in recent years, we have strived to provide excellent fire protection

and Emergency Medical Service to the public while staying within our budget allocations.

My goal is to continue maintaining proper equipment and training to provide the service that you expect and deserve.

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East County Fire & Rescue **Commissioner Position No. 1**



Thomas A. Gianatasio

My name is Thomas Gianatasio and I seek re-election to Fire Commissioner seat number 1 for East County Fire and Rescue. I am a retired professional firefighter with 36 years of service. I was a captain with fire suppression, fire prevention, fire support and hazmat experience. I have degrees in Fire Science and Aeronautics, was a former Licensed General Contractor with service

on a board of a private airport and was a volunteer firefighter.

I was appointed to my Commissioner's position at the end of 2014.

address Thomas A. Gianatasio
33110 NE 9th Street, Washougal 98671
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East County Fire & Rescue **Commissioner Position No. 2**



Michael Taggart

I have always felt the need to give back to the community in which I live. I believe the combination of my business acumen, volunteer experience, service as a fire commissioner and willingness to listen to the ideas of those I serve make me an excellent choice for your vote. I will

do my very best to represent you as a commissioner for East County Fire and Rescue.

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Fire & Rescue Nonpartisan Office

Candidates 59

East County Fire & Rescue Commissioner Position No. 3

Mike Berg

No photo or statement submitted

East County Fire & Rescue Commissioner Position No. 5



Sherry M. Petty

We are proud, fulltime residents of East County since 3/2011. I'm excited to offer my work experience to help our district adequately plan for the challenges of future growth within the district's limited funding sources. The next few years are critical as we responsibly plan for the future – identifying more efficient, cost-effective approaches to providing the best possible

emergency medical, fire suppression, and fire prevention services. We are facing a significant budget crisis due to lower revenue which requires transparency in finances with smarter spending and accurate budgets. I have more than 20 years' experience in budgeting.

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Fire Protection District Nonpartisan Office

Fire Protection District No. 2 Commissioner Position No. 1

Ken Ayers

No photo or statement submitted

Fire Protection District No. 3 Commissioner Position No. 2



Buck Heidrick

Fire District 3 continues to be the best managed, forward thinking, and efficient fire services in the region. It has been a privilege and honor to work with the district's extraordinary people, as they deliver exceptional service while embracing this community. With your support, I will represent your best interests as together

we meet the opportunities and challenges of the future. Thank you.

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Fire Protection District Nonpartisan Office

Fire Protection District No. 5 Commissioner Position No. 3

Ron Gibson

No photo submitted

Fire District 5 commissioners are your advocates for maintaining quality and levels of service you've come to expect. With 13 years of experience as an accountant, and financial analyst with the City of Vancouver and Vancouver Fire, I know I can help ensure basic services are met in a proficient manner. As your fire commissioner, I will work to assure manpower, equipment, and services are

maintained to the best levels possible. Resources are scarce, therefore, implementing reasonable fiscal policy means more assets are available for vital services when you need it most ... your fire, or your life-threatening emergency.

No contact information provided

Fire Protection District No. 6 Commissioner Position No. 3



Casey M. Collins

It has been an honor to serve my hometown as your Fire Commissioner since 2002. I will continue to provide leadership and support for our outstanding fire district. I offer ongoing experience and direction required to address new challenges from funding reductions and increasing community needs. Your support allows me to continue to ensure tax dollars are properly

invested for the best possible public safety response vital to your family and our community. With continued endorsement from your Fire Fighters Local 1805, I ask that you will vote to retain me as your Fire Commissioner.

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Fire Protection District No. 10 Commissioner Position No. 2



Elizabeth (Beth) Goble

I've lived in District 10 for over 30 years. I'm running as the incumbent for Position 2. The District continues to grow and provide service to its voters. I am offering my continued service to those constituents in this district. Overseeing, to the best of my abilities, the expenditure of their tax dollars in the upcoming years.

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Fire Protection District No. 13 Commissioner Position No. 2

Gary D. Hoyt

No photo or statement submitted

Cemetary Nonpartisan Office

Candidates 61

Cemetery District No. 1 Commissioner Position No. 3

John J. Straub

No photo or statement submitted

Cemetery District No. 4 Commissioner Position No. 1

Ruth MJ Ham

No photo submitted

I am a lifelong resident of North Clark County. I believe in compassion, respect and honesty for my community and the final resting places of friends and family.

I have been involved in most of our local community organizations during my lifetime. I have served as Cemetery District 4 Commissioner in the past for a period of 23 consecutive years

and again since 2011. I have decided to volunteer for the Commissioner position to continue the excellent care and maintenance of the District 4 Cemeteries (Amboy, Chelatchie, and View).

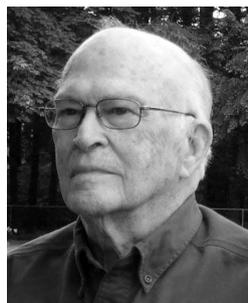
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Cemetery District No. 5 Commissioner Position No. 3

Dick Colf

No photo or statement submitted

Cemetery District No. 6 Commissioner Position No. 3



Stephen E. Root

I have been privileged to be serving my second term as your Cemetery District #6 Commissioner. I have been able to utilize my leadership principles developed from my responsibilities as an Administrator in Education, a Missionary in India, and a Navy Serviceman. As part of a team, your Commissioners have a collaborative approach to managing, maintaining, and planning

for the future needs of our four cemeteries and the community.

I see the value of remembering our past and preserving our history by making good choices. I look forward to another term serving you as Cemetery District #6 Commissioner.

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Battle Ground 98604
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James W. Landon

My personal mantra is "There are never problems, only solutions."

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Regional Wastewater Nonpartisan Office

Clark Regional Wastewater District **Commissioner Position No. 2**

Norman Harker

No photo or statement submitted

Port District Nonpartisan Office

Vancouver Port District **Commissioner District No. 2**



Lisa Ross

We cannot let the 17% of our county's workforce that relies directly or indirectly on our Port to feed their families fall victim to any agenda other than creating living wage jobs.

Lisa Ross, MBA, CPA, worked to make companies profitable, governments accountable, and nonprofits successful for over 30 years. Her diverse background is perfectly suited for a diverse port.

Let Lisa provide the guidance and leadership necessary to continue the legacy of a strong, vibrant port *and* waterfront.

Lisa Ross *is* for the Port, for Clark County, and for using our unique geographic assets to answer our nation's call.

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Eric LaBrant

For too long the Port of Vancouver has let special interests drown out calls for safety while taxpayers are kept in the dark. After years of working in accounts receivable, including for an international freight forwarder, I can ask hard questions and discuss practical solutions. As Chair of Fruit Valley's Neighborhood Association and a mentor in WSUV's business program, I've been a strong advocate for local businesses. My experience in this

community will allow me to fight against closed-door negotiations that create debt without public oversight. My name is Eric LaBrant, and I ask for your vote.

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Camas-Washougal Port District **Commissioner District No. 2**



Bill Ward

I am gratified by the progress that has been made while serving as your Port of Camas-Washougal Commissioner. We have gained increasing public confidence and participation. We are creating jobs, expanding recreational opportunities, increasing access to the river and enhancing the overall quality of community life.

Our team pulls in the same direction. There are long-range projects like the buildout of

the Steigerwald Commerce Center and our waterfront property that I want to see completed successfully.

I am a professional engineer, manage my own business and am active in many civic and technical groups.

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Ridgefield Port District **Commissioner District No. 3**



Joe Melroy

I have been honored to serve as your Port Commissioner for the past 18 years. We have accomplished a lot at the Port of Ridgefield for the community and I would like to continue to serve as Port Commissioner.

Thank you.
Joe Melroy

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Woodland Swimming Pool and Recreation District **Commissioner Position No. 3**

Michael Green

No photo or statement submitted

Ballot measure

City of Vancouver

Proposed Charter Amendment No. 1

Concerns incumbent councilmembers seeking election to a different council position.

This amendment to section 2.01 would require a sitting councilmember to provide notice of his or her intent to seek election to a different council position than the one they currently hold. The notice must be provided at least 30 days before the filing deadline and the councilmember must resign their current position as of the end of the year that they provide notice.

Should this amendment to the Charter be enacted?

Yes No

STATEMENT FOR:

Do you want your council members focused on the job to which they are elected?

Do you expect our elected officials to keep their eyes on the task at hand?

Do you want office holders who are committed to their post?

Then vote "Yes!"

This City of Vancouver charter amendment, proposed by a citizen committee and approved for voter consideration by the city council, would help keep public officials focused on their elected duties – not on the next office.

Our community deserves council members who perform the job voters hired them to do. That includes serving in their current office without the significant distraction of also running for another council position, including mayor.

By having to (1) provide a notice of intent to run at least 30 days before the filing deadline and (2) resign their council seat effective at year's end, sitting council members seeking a different council position couldn't use their current post as a safe haven while pursuing another office. They couldn't hedge their bets while dividing valuable time and attention between current responsibilities and a possible future prize.

Some may view a city council position as a stepping stone to the mayoral seat or other post, but it's important that folks want the position to which they were elected and take it seriously.

The Vancouver City Council and the Charter Review Committee have proposed a charter amendment that would improve commitment and leadership in local governance. Show your support by voting "Yes!"

Submitted by:

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Barry R. Hemphill
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REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST:

This city charter amendment would only strengthen the candidate pool, making a "Yes" vote the best vote. It was proposed by a citizen committee, is within the city's powers, supports democracy and promotes good governance.

The proposal neither changes candidate qualifications nor curbs anyone's right to run. It doesn't disturb election cycles beyond a potential special election. It simply limits hedging and helps keep folks focused on the job to which they're elected. Vote "Yes!"

Explanatory statement:

Current Law: The Charter currently does not require a sitting councilmember to provide advance notice of his or her intention to file to seek election to a different council position.

Result of passage: This amendment would require a councilmember to provide notice of his or her intention to seek a different council position at least 30 days before the filing deadline and to resign their current position as of the end of the year in which they provide the notice. The resignation creates a vacancy on council and provides time for another candidate to file for that position.

STATEMENT AGAINST:

It is my opinion that many of our Mayors have come through the ranks of the city council having gained experience of how the city government works. This amendment would diminish the pool of candidates available to serve who would be best qualified. Furthermore, it would cause a second election to be held to replace a seated council member which would be vacating their seat. Council positions would then be thrown off cycle in their elections further complicating the process.

No other position in government elections requires a notification of intent to file and run for office prior to filing week. State law says that with the exception of PCO's and Freeholders no person shall be on the ballot running for two separate positions in the same year. It does not stop a person from running at any level while serving in another position. This proposed amendment would be in conflict with other state laws thus in my opinion is harmful to the very intent of a democratic process and open free elections.

Both the potential candidates and the residents of the City of Vancouver would have their options limited. I strongly recommend a no vote on this amendment.

Submitted by:
Carolyn Crain, Chair

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR:

Declaring a Mayoral seat a "prize?"

Proponents call for electeds focus on their job, not campaigning. All seats have issues of election cycles campaigns. This blocks those from running for the mayor's position *if* they're one of three seats which are elected in the "off cycle" year. Serving the people is the purpose of an election. Getting the best qualified person for mayor is the only "prize." Vote *no* to retain your power of choice!

Ballot measure

City of Vancouver

Proposed Charter Amendment No. 2

Concerns appointments to citizen committees and dissolution of inactive committees.

This amendment to section 8 would provide for the council's appointment of citizens to boards, commissions and committees to be made by public announcement, review of objective criteria and majority vote of the council. It also authorizes the council to dissolve inactive boards, commissions and committees.

Should this amendment to the Charter be enacted?

Yes No

STATEMENT FOR:

Boards, commissions, and committees provide citizens the opportunity to participate in government in an organized way to advise the City Council regarding specific issues and policies. This proposed Charter Amendment codifies how boards, commissions, and committees are established; how appointments are handled; and how they can be discontinued when their function or purpose has been completed.

Submitted by:

Lynn Samuels, Chair

Charlie Tomlinson

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST:

Article VIII Section 8.01 Appointment does not use or require the use of citizen.

Commissions, Boards and Committees appointed by the Mayor or City Council have an assigned staff member and attorney.

Section 8.04 uses the word resident and does not include the word citizen.

Sunset dates are not required and the amendment gives the Council authority to dissolve committees as needed.

Explanatory statement:

Current Law: The Charter currently does not specify the process for appointments to citizen boards, commissions and committees.

Result of passage: This amendment would establish a consistent process for appointments to citizen boards, commissions and committees.

STATEMENT AGAINST:

I am currently opposed to the new language of the 2nd amendment proposed for the city charter. The following is a brief of the inconsistencies which could pose issues in the future and should be corrected prior to passage.

Presently under Article VIII Section 8.01 Appointment. This section needs citizen before the word resident to be in compliance with the rest of this resolution. Change by adding: any *citizen* resident of the community or do not pass.

Appointment: It is stated that city employees may not be appointed to city boards and commissions. This concerns me as to why a department head and a city attorney for legal advice are not appointed in order to expedite solutions.

Section 8.045 Parks and Recreation has the same missing *citizen* just stating resident. Found in the verbiage, i.e. "up to nine additional members shall be appointed at large from residents of the city." Simple solutions to make these sections adhere to the intent of the resolution and uniform. Just add *citizen* before resident or do not pass.

Dissolution: This section could be clearer if all boards not mandated by the state law had sunset dates when established under the charter.

Submitted by:
Penny Ross, Chair

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR:

Amendment #2 does not uniformly refer to citizens being appointed to boards, commissions and committees. It also sets in motion a process for discontinuing boards, but does not address mandating sunset clauses upon creation. Recommend voting no on this amendment until the verbiage is corrected.

Ballot measure

City of Vancouver

Proposed Charter Amendment No. 3

Concerns a prohibition against discrimination in city programs and activities.

This amendment to section 7.10 would prohibit discrimination in all city programs and activities on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, ethnicity, creed, religious opinions or affiliations, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, pregnancy, marital status, family status, mental or physical disability, military status, status as a veteran or any other protected status under applicable law.

Should this amendment to the Charter be enacted?

Yes No

STATEMENT FOR:

Vancouver has always been diverse. Multiple Native American tribes gathered here for trade and commerce. Fort Vancouver relied upon an international workforce. Both World Wars drew workers from around the nation. Updating the City's Human Rights declaration acknowledges the strong foundation diversity and inclusion have provided Vancouver and reiterates the City's commitment to these values. The update recognizes that the future of our City depends on attracting and retaining a diverse population and workforce. This will enable us to continue to grow a healthy economy, provide an ever expanding job base, and allow for a more vibrant, safe, and healthy community. By recognizing and respecting the value of all our citizens, Vancouver will be a city where we are all proud to live, work, and raise our families.

Submitted by:

Ty Stober, Chair

Tonnie Cummings

Erica Marchbank

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST:

No statement against was submitted.

Explanatory statement:

Current Law: The Charter currently prohibits discrimination on the basis of race or sex or political or religious opinions or affiliations.

Result of passage: This amendment would prohibit discrimination on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, ethnicity, creed, religious opinions or affiliations, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, pregnancy, marital status, family status, mental or physical disability, military status, status as a veteran or any other protected status under applicable law.

STATEMENT AGAINST:

No statement against was submitted.

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR:

No statement against was submitted.

Ballot measure

City of Vancouver

Proposed Charter Amendment No. 4

Concerns the procedures for providing text of ordinances prior to passage.

This amendment to sections 2.13, 2.14 and 2.15 would eliminate the requirement to read the full text of a proposed ordinance upon request at the hearing and would require proposed ordinances to be made available prior to the hearing at place identified in the notice of hearing and to be placed on the city's website.

Should this amendment to the Charter be enacted?

Yes No

STATEMENT FOR:

Charter Amendment #4 provides Vancouver residents greater access to the full text of proposed city ordinances. Currently the city is not required to make proposed ordinances available to the public, other than reading the full text, upon request, at a public hearing. Charter Amendment #4 requires proposed ordinances to be made available before public hearings and to be placed on the City of Vancouver's website. As a result, city residents will have convenient access to these proposed ordinances. This helps them be better informed and allows them to actively participate in public hearings. Web access allows the disabled to retrieve this information easier. By passing Charter Amendment #4, the citizens of Vancouver can be more active in shaping rules and regulations that affect their lives and their communities. Vote yes for Charter Amendment #4.

Submitted by:
Cheryl Landes, Chair

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST:

No rebuttal of statement against was submitted.

Explanatory statement:

Current Law: Currently, upon request, the full text of a proposed ordinance must be read in full at the hearing. There is no requirement in the charter for providing copies of the ordinance or placing it on the city's website.

Result of passage: This amendment would eliminate the requirement to read the full text of a proposed ordinance at the hearing upon request. It would require that copies of the proposed ordinance be made available at a place identified in the notice of hearing and would require it to be placed on the city's website.

STATEMENT AGAINST:

Opposed to replacing the reading of ordinance/resolution proposal texts with reading of the title only. The public should retain their rights to hear ordinances read in full.

Current practice of the City of Vancouver is to post the future council meeting documents on the city website the Friday prior to the Monday hearing. This is the three (Calendar) days' notice that is addressed in Section 2.13 of the charter. (Normal practices use Business Days, which excludes weekends.) This practice already creates a difficulty for the public to act upon issues which they deem important. Therefore, it would seem judicious to read proposed ordinances in full, not just the titles.

RCW 42.30.077 mandates already that agendas and documents be posted on-line at the city website. WAC 365-196-600 addresses public participation stating: "5) Counties and cities should take a broad view of *public* participation." "6)b(i) Notice must be timely, reasonably available and reasonably likely to reach interested persons. Notice of all events where *public* input is sought should be broadly disseminated at least one week in advance of any *public hearing*." Current practices and this new amendment do not comply with the spirit of taking the broad view of public participation, nor transparency in governing.

Eliminating the public's right to hear ordinances read in full upon request reduces the information to and participation of the public, and therefore I recommend a no vote on this amendment.

Submitted by:
Tzipi K. Hartson, Chair
Vancouver, WA

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR:

Current law requires posting proposed amendments online on Friday, with public hearings on Monday.

Current city charter allows citizens present at the hearing to request the proposed text be read in full.

Amendment 4 eliminates citizens' rights to request the reading of the proposal. Not all citizens have access to Internet. Reading only titles isn't greater access to changes in city laws. Retain citizens' rights and access. Keep government transparent. Vote No on 4.

Ballot measure

City of Vancouver

Proposed Charter Amendment No. 5

Concerns procedures to be followed for citizen initiatives.

This amendment to sections 10.01, 10.03, 10.04, 10.05 and 10.08 would require:

1. initiative petition signatures to be no older than 6 months;
2. the city attorney to provide a nonbinding opinion on the legality of the initiative;
3. petitions to be filed by February 1; and
4. the city clerk to determine the validity of the circulator statement.

It eliminates the provision for amending petitions found to be insufficient by filing supplementary petitions and extends the time for referring initiatives to voters by thirty days.

Should this amendment to the Charter be enacted?

Yes No

STATEMENT FOR:

Initiative petitions are a vital process for citizens to participate in city government. Accordingly, it is important for the City of Vancouver to make the process as smooth, uncomplicated, and efficient as possible.

Requiring that signatures on the initiative petition are no older than six months prior to the date of submission will ensure that those persons are likely to still be active voters when the election is held.

The city attorney's nonbinding opinion of the legality of the subject matter will provide the sponsors of the initiative petition the option to amend the language to conform to the law, to stop gathering signatures, or to proceed without change regardless of that opinion.

Because the timeline is tight for completion of the signature gathering and acceptance for a particular election, eliminating a second round of signature gathering when the total submitted is insufficient will expedite approval of the petition and its inclusion in that election cycle. No other jurisdiction in the State of Washington allows another attempt to fulfill the required number of signatures.

Submitted by:
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REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT AGAINST:

Requiring the City Attorney to provide a non-binding opinion on the initiative petition's legality provides supporters with the power to follow the advice or not.

By limiting the time frame for gathering signatures, signers are more likely to still be active voters who then become the support base for the citizen-proposed initiative.

This amendment does not affect initiative oversights; instead it deals with invalid signatures.

Voting Yes means more power to the people!

Explanatory statement:

Current Law: The Charter doesn't limit on the age of signatures on a petition; require a legal review of a petition; or specify the date for filing a petition. It allows gathering of supplemental petitions to correct a determination of insufficiency.

Result of passage: This amendment would establish a 6 month limit on the age of signatures; requires a legal review; and establishes a February 1 filing date. It eliminates the supplemental petition process. It sets specific timeframes for the clerk's determination of sufficiency and referral of ordinances to voters.

STATEMENT AGAINST:

Vote No!

First: Washington State Constitution Article 2 "the people reserve to themselves the power to propose bills, laws..., independent of the legislature, and also reserve power, at their own option, to approve or reject at the polls any act, item, section, or part of any bill, act, or law passed by the legislature."

Second: Legislative finding 1973 C 122 "The exercise of this power concomitant with the power of the legislature requires coordination to avoid the duplication and confusion of laws."

No time limits exist to begin gathering signatures in the Constitution or in the law, RCW 29. Yet Section 10.01 of this amendment, constrains people's ability to begin the process, independent of the Vancouver City Council, a legislative body.

Striking Section 10.05 eliminates the ability to correct initiative oversights. This violates RCW 29A.72.170, which gives three reasons for not accepting a petition. An initiative having achieved a certificate of review has met the requirements of state law, and if upon amendment, the intent or purpose of the initiative is not changed, it cannot be disqualified. This Elimination of review and amendment process conflicts with the law.

This Amendment limits the power of the people to propose bills and laws. Placing the power of approval in the hands of a City attorney, is in direct opposition to the Constitution of the State of Washington and is not in keeping with either the intent or the spirit of the Revised Code of the State of Washington.

Vote No!

Submitted by:
Dennis Henry, Chair

REBUTTAL OF STATEMENT FOR:

Established legal precedent measures the hardship imposed on petition circulators' First Amendment rights against interests asserted by the government; ensuring government interests don't burden people unconstitutionally.

Proponents say "a process, smooth, uncomplicated and efficient as possible" is the interests of the City. Proposed changes to Section 10.3 state, Petitions "shall" be approved "before gathering signatures." These create unnecessary burdens, further constraining the time for collecting signatures.

This Charter amendment is unconstitutional.

Ballot measure

Fire Protection District No. 6

Proposition No. 1

Proposition Restoring Property Tax Levy for Fire Protection and Emergency Rescue Services

The Board of Clark County Fire Protection District No. 6 adopted Resolution No. 2015-04 concerning a proposition to maintain and adequately fund District operations.

This proposition authorizes the District to restore its regular property tax levy to \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value to be assessed in 2015 and collected in 2016. The funds will maintain and improve fire protection and emergency medical services, replace apparatus, equipment and facilities and provide for firefighter safety. The maximum allowable levy in 2015 shall serve as the base for subsequent levy limitations as provided by chapter 84.55 RCW.

Should this proposition be:

Approved Rejected

Explanatory statement:

Clark County Fire Protection District No. 6 provides emergency medical, rescue and fire protection services to its citizens. This proposition will authorize the District to restore its regular real property tax levy rate from \$1.27 to \$1.50 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation.

Approval of this measure will allow the District to keep pace with inflation, replace fire engines, upgrade and improve fire stations and provide for firefighter safety.

If the levy is approved, the additional tax would not exceed \$0.23 per \$1,000 assessed valuation per year over what is currently levied for fire protection and emergency rescue services.

STATEMENT FOR:

Our paramedics and firefighters save lives and protect property. In 1995 citizens voted for \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property values, decreased now, with lowered assessed values, to \$1.27 per \$1,000 to operate the District.

This request is to "lift the lid" and return funding to \$1.50 per \$1,000. Over the past ten years call volumes increased over 31%, straining resources and making this levy's passage critical to maintain response times. It would add \$4.79 a month to a \$250,000 home—only \$57.50 a year per homeowner.

From June 1 to July 15, 2015, Fire District 6 responded to 989 calls, often with overlapping or multiple calls. The nearly 13% increased demand for firefighters and equipment over this period puts a huge strain on the already tight budget.

Fire District 6 provides fire protection and emergency medical services to 64,000 residents over 37 square miles with compassion, care and professionalism. Most of the 6,544 calls last year were for medical emergencies. As our population ages, we expect a significant rise in operating costs which increases the importance of additional funding for these life or death issues.

A yes vote will allow Fire District 6 to obtain essential revenue to fund daily operations, replace older equipment, improve facilities and increase firefighter safety and training.

Fire District 6 is proud to maintain a balanced budget and has passed all State financial and accountability audits. Please vote yes to "lift the levy lid" on November 3 to support those who support you.

Submitted by:
Ila Stanek, Chair

Doug Ballou

REBUTTAL OF

STATEMENT AGAINST:

No statement against was submitted.

Complete text of measures

City of Vancouver

Proposed Charter Amendment No. 1

Concerns incumbent councilmembers seeking election to a different council position.

RESOLUTION M-3823

A RESOLUTION to submit to the voters of the City of Vancouver a proposal to amend Article II, Section 2.01 of the City of Vancouver Charter. The amendment relates to notice requirements when City Council members wish to seek a different council position, including mayor, and requires the person seeking such position to resign their current position effective at the end of the current year.

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee was appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council on December 9, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee held seven meetings between January 23 and May 1, 2014, to review proposed amendments through the City Council or through citizen petition; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee made their recommendations to the City Council on June 5, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed hearing on the 7th day of July, 2014, considered the recommendations of the Committee and voted to submit the proposed amendment to the Charter proposed below to the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

Section 1. That the following amendments to Article II, Section 2.01 of the City Charter, as last amended by vote of the people on November 2, 2004, relating to notice requirements when City Council members wish to seek a different council position, including mayor, and requires the person seeking such position to resign their current position effective at the end of the current year, be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Added language is shown by underline.)

Section 2.01 Number, Terms: The council shall have seven members, including a mayor, nominated and elected from the city at large in the manner hereinafter provided: Commencing in the 1971 municipal election, three persons shall be elected to four-year terms as councilmembers at each biennial municipal election and; provided further, commencing in the 2005 biennial municipal election, one person shall be elected to a four-year term as mayor.

If any seated councilmember seeks a different council position, including mayor, that person is required to provide notice of his/her intention to do so and to resign his/her current position effective as of the end of that calendar year. The notice of intent must be filed with the city clerk at least thirty days prior to the filing deadline for the council position being sought. The clerk shall provide a copy of the notice to the Elections Office of the County Auditor.

The person elected mayor shall have the powers of the mayor as provided in this charter and also all powers of a city councilmember. All incumbent councilmembers shall continue to serve until their successors are elected and qualified. In the event of a tie vote, the election shall be decided by lot. *(As amended by vote of the people on November 4, 1969 and November 2, 2004.)*

ADOPTED at regular session of the Council of the City of Vancouver, this 7th day of **June, 2014**.

Signed this 7th day of **July, 2014**.

s/Timothy D. Leavitt

Timothy D. Leavitt, Mayor

ATTEST:
s/Carrie Lewellen

R. Lloyd Tyler, City Clerk
By: Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
s/Ted H. Gathe

Ted H. Gathe, City Attorney

City of Vancouver Proposed Charter Amendment No. 2

City of Vancouver

Proposed Charter Amendment No. 2

Concerns appointments to citizen committees and dissolution of inactive committees.

RESOLUTION M-3824

A RESOLUTION to submit to the voters of the City of Vancouver a proposal to amend Article VIII of the City Charter in three ways; by changing the title of Article VIII; creating a new Section 8.01 relating to the creation of citizen boards and commissions; and renumbering of subsequent sections.

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee was appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council on December 9, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee held seven meetings between January 23 and May 1, 2014, to review proposed amendments through the City Council or through citizen petition; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee made their recommendations to the City Council on June 5, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed hearing on the 7th day of July, 2014, and considered the recommendations of the Committee and voted to submit the proposed amendment to the Charter proposed below to the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

Section 1. That the following amendments to Article VIII, as last amended on November 2, 1999, changing the title, adding a new section 8.01 relating to the creation of citizen boards and commissions and renumbering subsequent sections be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Proposed language to be deleted is shown by ~~strike through~~. Added language is shown by underline.)

Article VIII

GENERAL DEVELOPMENT

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES

Section 8.01 Boards and Commissions: Citizen boards, commissions, advisory committees and task forces provide an invaluable service in providing advice to the mayor and council that informs their decision making. The city council is empowered by state law and city ordinance to fill, by appointment, all boards and commissions established by such state law, charter or ordinance or such other advisory boards or commissions as the council deems necessary or advisable to appoint. In the exercise of this power, council shall be consistent in its process and decision making to fairly select and appoint citizens who desire to serve.

Establishment: Boards, commissions, committees and task forces may be required under state law, established through city ordinance or established by motion of the city council.

Appointment: The city shall publicly announce all vacancies on boards, commissions, advisory committees or task forces by advertising and other reasonable methods. Any resident of the community may submit an application for consideration of appointment. The city council shall evaluate each applicant for appointment based on objective criteria established by council. Members shall be appointed by a majority vote of council during a regularly scheduled meeting. City employees may not be appointed to city boards and commissions.

Dissolution of Boards, Commissions and Committees: Council may dissolve any board, commission, committee or task force that has completed its function or purpose with the exception of boards, commissions or committees required under state law. Dissolution of some boards or commissions may require revisions to the Vancouver Municipal Code.

Section 8.012 Planning Commission: A city planning commission has been duly established under the provisions of

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the general laws of the state and is hereby recognized. Its membership, duties, and powers may be enlarged by ordinance to enable it to recommend comprehensive municipal plans relating to planning, zoning, platting and land development, slum clearance, and the rehabilitation of blighted areas, and areas damaged by disaster. Its reports and recommendations shall be submitted to the city manager who shall transmit the same to the city council, together with any additions or modifications. The city council may adopt comprehensive plans or portions thereof, and do all things necessary or convenient to execute the same, and may cooperate with the state and federal governments and apply for, and receive, loans and grants in aid.

Section 8.023 Board of Adjustment: The city council may provide by ordinance for a board of adjustment of five members which may be given authority to hear and determine appeals from the ruling of the building inspector on the provisions of the zoning ordinance, and to grant special exceptions to, or variations from, the zoning regulations in accordance with standards and procedures prescribed by ordinance.

Section 8.034 Housing Authority: A housing authority has been duly established for this city under the provisions of the applicable law of the State of Washington and of the United States, and the city council is authorized to cooperate with the housing authority under the terms of the said acts, or as hereafter amended, or under other enactments relating thereto, and by ordinance to provide to the extent deemed necessary, safe and sanitary housing accommodations for persons of low income.

Section 8.045 Parks and Recreation: The city shall acquire, maintain and operate an adequate system of public parks and playgrounds and shall make ample provision for recreational facilities, supervision, and programs, and may cooperate with school districts, public bodies, public corporations, and other organizations to that end. There shall be a parks and recreation commission appointed by the mayor, subject to the approval of the city council. A member of the school administration of each school district with territory within the city limits shall be appointed to the commission and up to nine additional members shall be appointed at large from residents of

the city. Commission members shall serve without pay, and shall have such advisory responsibilities with respect to management, supervision, and control of the recreational facilities and programs under the direction and supervision of the city manager as may be assigned by ordinance. The commission shall recommend to the city council through the city manager all programs and plans for parks, playgrounds, and recreational facilities, and supervision, and for the expenditures of all city funds to be devoted to such purposes. *(As amended by vote of the people on November 7, 1978, and November 8, 1994.)*

Section 8.056 Library: Free public library services are provided for this city by a library district in accordance with state law. In the event that the district no longer provides such services to the city due to disincorporation, withdrawal or by other lawful means, the city council shall forthwith establish a free public library system and shall appropriate adequate sums for provision of ample library services, maintenance and operation. *(As amended by vote of the people on November 2, 1999.)*

ADOPTED at regular session of the Council of the City of Vancouver, this 7th day of **June, 2014**.

Signed this 7th day of **July, 2014**.

s/Timothy D. Leavitt

 Timothy D. Leavitt, Mayor

ATTEST:
 s/Carrie Lewellen

 R. Lloyd Tyler, City Clerk
 By: Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
 s/Ted H. Gathe

 Ted H. Gathe, City Attorney

City of Vancouver Proposed Charter Amendment No. 3

City of Vancouver

Proposed Charter Amendment No. 3

Concerns a prohibition against discrimination in city programs and activities.

RESOLUTION M-3825

A RESOLUTION to submit to the voters of the City of Vancouver a proposal to amend Article VII, Section 7.10 of the City of Vancouver Charter to update the anti-discrimination language affecting City personnel.

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee was appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council on December 9, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee held seven meetings between January 23 and May 1, 2014, to review proposed amendments through the City Council or through citizen petition; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee made their recommendations to the City Council on June 5, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed hearing on the 7th day of July, 2014, considered the recommendations of the Committee and voted to submit the proposed amendment to the Charter proposed below to the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

Section 1. That the following amendments to Article VII, Section 7.10 of the City Charter, as last amended on November 6, 1979, be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Proposed language to be deleted is shown by ~~strikethrough~~. Added language is shown by underline.)

Section 7.10 Prohibitions: ~~No person in the service of the city or seeking admission thereto shall be in any way favored or discriminated against because of race or sex or~~

~~political or religious opinions or affiliations.~~ The city shall prohibit discrimination, in all its programs and activities, on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, ethnicity, creed, religious opinions or affiliations, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, pregnancy, marital status, family status, mental or physical disability, military status, status as a veteran or any other protected status under applicable law. No persons seeking appointment to, or promotion in, the service of the city shall give cause to be given any money or other thing of value to any person in connection with such appointment or promotion. No person shall in any manner solicit or be concerned with soliciting any contribution for any political purpose from any city employee. No person shall commit any fraud or deceit tending to defeat the purposes of this article or in connection with any appointment or promotion in the city service. Any person who is convicted of violating any provision of this section shall, in addition to any other penalties provided by law, be ineligible for appointment or employment in the city's service for a period of five years, and shall, if an officer or employee of the city, immediately forfeit such position. *(As amended by vote of the people on November 6, 1979.)*

ADOPTED at regular session of the Council of the City of Vancouver, this 7th day of **June, 2014**.

Signed this 7th day of **July, 2014**.

s/Timothy D. Leavitt
Timothy D. Leavitt, Mayor

ATTEST:
s/Carrie Lewellen
R. Lloyd Tyler, City Clerk
By: Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
s/Ted H. Gathe
Ted H. Gathe, City Attorney

City of Vancouver

Proposed Charter Amendment No. 4

Concerns the procedures for providing text of ordinances prior to passage.

RESOLUTION M-3826

A RESOLUTION to submit to the voters of the City of Vancouver a proposal to amend Article II, Sections 2.13, 2.14 and 2.15 of the City of Vancouver Charter in two ways. First, the amendment deletes the requirement that ordinances before Council be read in full upon the request of any person. Second, the amendment adds language requiring that proposed ordinances be made available to the public as provided in the notice of hearing and by posting such ordinances on the City's website.

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee was appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council on December 9, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee held seven meetings between January 23 and May 1, 2014, to review proposed amendments through the City Council or through citizen petition; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee made their recommendations to the City Council on June 5, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed hearing on the 7th day of July, 2014, considered the recommendations of the Committee and voted to submit the amendment to the Charter proposed below to the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:

Section 1. That the following amendments to Article II, Section 2.13 as last amended on September 17, 1996, Section 2.14 as last amended on November 7, 1967, and Section 2.15 as last amended on November 7, 1967, of the City Charter, relating to the reading in full of ordinances before council upon the request of any person, be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Proposed language to be deleted is shown by ~~strikethrough~~. Added language is shown by underline.)

Section 2.13 Procedure for Passage of Ordinances; First Reading: With exceptions of ordinances permitted by state law to be adopted by reference, every ordinance shall be introduced in writing in the form in which it is finally to be passed. The title of such ordinance shall be read ~~and upon request of any person present shall be read in full~~; after passage on first reading, every ordinance shall be published at least once, in full or in summary form as prescribed by state law at R.C.W. 35.22.288, together with a notice of the time and place when and where it will be given a public hearing and be considered for final passage. The first publication shall be at least three days prior to the time advertised for public hearing. Copies of all such proposed ordinances shall be kept available to the public prior to the hearing as indicated in the notice of the hearing and by posting the proposed ordinances on the city's website and at the office of the city clerk. Provided, however, that ordinances granting a franchise shall be published in full or in summary once each week for three consecutive weeks prior to finally passing such ordinances. *(As amended by vote of the people on November 7, 1967, and September 17, 1996.)*

Section 2.14 Second Reading and Public Hearing: At the time and place so advertised, or at any time and place to which such hearing shall from time to time be adjourned, the title of such ordinance shall be read, ~~or upon the request of any person present, the clerk shall read the proposed ordinance in full.~~ Copies of all such ordinances shall be kept available to the public prior to the hearing as indicated in the notice of the hearing and by posting such ordinances on the city's website. All persons interested shall be given an opportunity to be heard on the proposed ordinance. *(As amended by vote of the people on November 7, 1967.)*

Section 2.15 Further Consideration; Final Passage: After such hearing, the city council may finally pass such ordinance, with or without amendment, except that if it shall make an amendment which constitutes a change of substance, it shall not finally pass the ordinance until it shall have caused the amended sections to be published at least once, together with a notice of the time and place when and where such amended ordinance will be further considered, which publication shall be at least three days

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prior to the time stated. Copies of all such ordinances shall be kept available to the public prior to the hearing as indicated in the notice of the hearing and by posting such ordinances on the city's website. At the time so advertised, or at any time and place to which such meeting shall be adjourned, the title of the amended ordinance shall be read, ~~or upon the request of any person present, the amended ordinance shall be read in full,~~ and a public hearing thereon shall be held and after such hearing, the governing body may finally pass such amended ordinance, or again amend it subject to the same conditions. The second passage of any ordinance pursuant to this charter shall be final and no further passage shall be required. The final passage of an ordinance requires at least a majority vote in its favor, and the vote shall be taken by yeas and nays, and entered in the public journal of city council proceedings. Every ordinance or resolution passed by the city council shall be signed by the mayor and filed with the city clerk, who shall record the same. When an ordinance is put upon its final passage and fails to pass, and a motion is made to reconsider, the vote upon such motion shall not be acted upon before the next meeting of the city council. *(As amended by vote of the people on November 7, 1967.)*

ADOPTED at regular session of the Council of the City of Vancouver, this 7th day of **June, 2014**.

Signed this 7th day of **July, 2014**.

s/Timothy D. Leavitt

 Timothy D. Leavitt, Mayor

ATTEST:

s/Carrie Lewellen

 R. Lloyd Tyler, City Clerk
 By: Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

s/Ted H. Gathe

 Ted H. Gathe, City Attorney

City of Vancouver Proposed Charter Amendment No. 5

City of Vancouver**Proposed Charter Amendment No. 5**

Concerns procedures to be followed for citizen initiatives.

RESOLUTION M-3827

A RESOLUTION to submit to the voters of the City of Vancouver a proposal to amend Article X, Sections 10.01, 10.03, 10.04, 10.05, and 10.08 of the City of Vancouver Charter relating to procedures for citizen initiatives for new ordinances.

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee was appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council on December 9, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee held seven meetings between January 23 and May 1, 2014, to review proposed amendments through the City Council or through citizen petition; and

WHEREAS, the Charter Review Committee made their recommendations to the City Council on June 5, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a duly noticed hearing on the 7th day of July, 2014, considered the recommendations of the Committee and voted to submit the proposed amendment to the Charter proposed below to the voters.

NOW, THEREFORE,**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF VANCOUVER:**

Section 1. That the following amendments to Article X, Section 10.01 as last amended on November 2, 2004, relating to initiative petitions be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Proposed language to be deleted is shown by ~~strikethrough~~. Added language is shown by underline.)

Section 10.01 Initiative: The registered voters of the city shall have power to propose any ordinance and to adopt or reject the same at the polls, except an ordinance

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appropriating money, authorizing the levy of taxes, or any subject where such action is contrary to the general laws of the state of Washington. Any initiated ordinance may be submitted to the city council by a petition signed by registered voters of the city equal in number to at least fifteen per centum of the number of votes cast at the last preceding municipal general election. Signatures shall not be older than 6 months from the date of submission. No initiated ordinance shall embrace more than one subject, and that shall be expressed in the title. The proposed ordinance shall be stated in clear and unambiguous language and so that its entire effect is apparent on its face. (As amended by vote of the people on November 4, 1986 and November 2, 2004.)

Section 2. That the following amendments to Article X, Section 10.03 as last amended on November 2, 2004, relating to initiative petitions be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Proposed language to be deleted is shown by ~~strikethrough~~. Added language is shown by underline.)

Section 10.03 Petitions and Committees: All petition papers circulated for the purposes of an initiative or referendum shall be uniform in size and style. Initiative petition papers shall contain the full text of the proposed ordinance. Petitions shall be in a form prescribed by the City Clerk, and shall be approved in advance as to form by the City Attorney. Before gathering signatures, any proposed initiated ordinance must be filed with the City Clerk. Within twenty working days after filing, the City Attorney shall evaluate the initiative proposal and express his/her opinion as to whether or not the initiative proposal is within the scope of a legally permissible local initiative. The signatures to initiative or referendum petitions need not all be appended to one paper, but to each separate petition there shall be attached a statement of the circulator thereof as provided by this section. Each signer of any such petition paper shall sign in ink or indelible pencil and shall indicate after such signer's name, the signer's place of residence by street and number, or other description sufficient to identify the place. On each petition shall appear the names and addresses of the same five registered voters of the city, who, as a committee of the petitioners, shall be regarded as responsible for the circulation and filing of the petition. Printed on each separate petition paper there shall be an

affidavit of the circulator thereof, affirmed under penalty of perjury, that said circulator personally circulated the foregoing paper, that it bears a stated number of signatures, that all the signatures appended thereto were made in the circulator's presence, and that the circulator believes them to be the genuine signatures of the persons whose names they purport to be. (As amended by vote of the people on November 3, 2009 and November 2, 2004.)

Section 3. That the following amendments to Article X, Section 10.04 as last amended on November 2, 2004, relating to initiative petitions be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Proposed language to be deleted is shown by ~~strikethrough~~. Added language is shown by underline.)

Section 10.04 Filing and Certifying: All petition papers comprising an initiative or referendum petition shall be assembled and filed with the city clerk as one instrument. Petition pages must be filed no later than February 1 of the same year as the Municipal General election is held. Within ~~twenty~~ ten days after a petition is filed, the city clerk shall determine whether each paper of the petition has a proper statement of the circulator and shall convey the valid signed petition pages to the officer responsible for the verification of the sufficiency of the signatures to the petition under state law for such verification. The city clerk shall declare any petition paper entirely invalid and not submit said petition page for verification, which does not have printed thereon an affidavit affirmed under penalty of perjury signed by the circulator thereof. If a petition paper is found to be signed by more persons than the number of signatures certified by the circulator, the last signatures in excess of the number certified shall be disregarded, and the City Clerk shall strike out the excess signatures. If a petition paper is found to be signed by fewer persons than the number certified, the signatures shall be accepted unless void on other grounds. After completing examination of the petition, and after receiving verification of the sufficiency of such petition signatures from the officer responsible for verification of the sufficiency of signatures under state law, the city clerk shall certify the result thereof to the city council at its next regular meeting. If the clerk certifies that the petition is invalid or has insufficient signatures, the clerk shall set forth in a certificate the particulars in which it is defective and shall at once notify the

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committee of the petitioners of such findings. (As amended by vote of the people on November 3, 2009, November 2, 2004, and November 4, 1986.)

Section 4. That the repeal of Article X, Section 10.05 as last amended on November 2, 2004, relating to initiative petitions be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Proposed language to be deleted is shown by ~~strikethrough~~. Added language is shown by underline.)

~~**Section 10.05 Amendment of Initiative Petitions:** An initiative petition may be amended twenty days after the notification of insufficiency has been sent by the city clerk by filing a supplementary petition upon additional papers signed and filed as provided in case of an original petition. The city clerk shall, within five days after such an amendment is filed, convey the amended petition to the officer responsible for the verification of the sufficiency of the signatures to the original and amended petition under state law for such verification. If, after receiving verification of the sufficiency of such original and amended petition signatures from the officer responsible for verification of sufficiency of signatures under state law, the petition be still insufficient, the clerk shall file a certificate to that effect and notify the committee of the petitioners of the findings and no further action shall be had on such insufficient petition. The finding of the insufficiency of a petition shall not prejudice the filing of a new petition for the same purpose. (As amended by vote of the people on November 2, 2004.)~~

Section 5. That the following amendments to Article X, Section 10.08 as last amended on November 2, 2004, relating to initiative petitions be submitted to the voters of the City of Vancouver:

(Proposed language to be deleted is shown by ~~strikethrough~~. Added language is shown by underline.)

Section 10.08 Submission to Registered Voters of the City: If the city council shall fail to pass an ordinance proposed by initiative petition or if the city council fails to repeal a referred ordinance within thirty days after the receipt thereof, the proposed or referred ordinance shall be submitted to the registered voters of the city at the next municipal general election provided such election

shall occur ~~sixty-ninety~~ days or more after the city council takes its final vote thereon. If the city council shall pass a proposed initiative ordinance in a different form, it shall likewise submit the proposed ordinance in its original form, if, and only if, an additional petition signed by not less than five per centum of the number of votes cast at the last regular city election, requesting such submission, shall be circulated, signed, and filed in the same manner as the original petition and within ten days of the date of adoption of the amended ordinance. The city council may provide for a special election if, in its judgment, an emergency exists. (As amended by vote of the people on November 2, 2004.)

ADOPTED at regular session of the Council of the City of Vancouver, this **7th** day of **June, 2014**.
Signed this **7th** day of **July, 2014**.

s/Timothy D. Leavitt

Timothy D. Leavitt, Mayor

ATTEST:
s/Carrie Lewellen

R. Lloyd Tyler, City Clerk
By: Carrie Lewellen, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
s/Ted H. Gathe

Ted H. Gathe, City Attorney

Fire Protection District No. 6

RESOLUTION 2015-04

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF LEVY GENERAL ELECTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLARK COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6 PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE DISTRICT AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD WITHIN THE DISTRICT ON NOVEMBER 3, 2015, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE STATE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE SAME DATE, OF A PROPOSITION RESTORING THE LEVY OF A PROPERTY TAX NOT TO EXCEED \$1.50 PER \$1,000.00 OF TRUE AND ASSESSED VALUATION SUBJECT TO OTHERWISE APPLICABLE STATUTORY LIMITATIONS.

Background: WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of the District that it is essential and necessary for the protection of the health and life of the residents of the District that the fire and emergency medical services be provided by the District.

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners has determined that the accelerated demands for, and increasing costs of, providing services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for improved capital facilities and firefighter safety, additional apparatus, maintenance and operations in excess of those which can be provided by the District's regular tax revenue levied at the current rate of approximately \$1.27 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation of taxable property within the District as limited by the 101% limitation.

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners has determined that it is in the best interest of the District that the maximum allowable levy authorized by this Resolution serve as the levy base for purposes of applying the limit factor established by RCW 84.55.010 in subsequent years.

Resolution: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Clark County Fire Protection District No. 6 Clark County, Washington as follows:

Section 1. It is necessary for the District to operate and maintain emergency fire and medical service vehicles, to acquire and improve station and other capital facilities and to retain properly trained personnel equipped with proper fire fighting and emergency medical equipment. The revenues generated by this lid lift will allow the District to cover the gap between inflation and the statutory one percent limit on increases to the District budget to fund apparatus replacement and facility upgrades and to provide for investments in firefighter safety all of which are necessary to maintain and improve the level of fire protection, prevention, emergency medical services and the protection of life and property in the District.

Section 2. In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the costs of maintaining and providing the services described in Section 1 and to assure the continuation and improvement of such services the District shall, in accordance with RCW 84.55.050, remove the one percent limitation on regular property taxes imposed by RCW 84.55.010, and levy beginning in 2015 and collect beginning in 2016, pursuant to RCW 52.16.130, RCW 52.16.140 and RCW 52.16.160, a general tax on taxable property within the District at a rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits.

Section 3. The District previously obtained voter approval to establish the levy rate at \$1.50 per thousand of assessed valuation in 1995.

Section 4. The amount levied in 2015 shall serve as the District's tax levy base for purposes of applying the limit factor established by RCW 84.55.010 in subsequent years.

Section 5. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection, at an election on November 3, 2015, in conjunction with the state general election to be held on the same date the question of whether or not the regular property tax levy of the District should be restored to \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation, subject to otherwise applicable statutory limitations. The Board of Commissioners hereby requests the auditor of Clark County, as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, to call such election, and to submit the following

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proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

Clark County Fire Protection District No. 6
Proposition Restoring Property Tax Levy For Fire Protection
and Emergency Rescue Services.

The Board of Clark County Fire Protection District No. 6 adopted Resolution No. 2015-04 concerning a proposition to maintain and adequately fund District operations.

This proposition authorizes the District to restore its regular property tax levy to \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed value to be assessed in 2015 and collected in 2016. The funds will maintain and improve fire protection and emergency medical services, replace apparatus, equipment and facilities and provide for firefighter safety. The maximum allowable levy in 2015 shall serve as the base for subsequent levy limitations as provided by chapter 84.55 RCW.

Should this proposition be:

Approved

Rejected

Adoption: ADOPTED by the Board of Commissioners of Clark County Fire Protection District No. 6 at an open public meeting of such Board on the 21st day of July 2015, the following Commissioners being present and voting:

s/Brad Lothspeich

Brad Lothspeich, Commissioner

s/Dean T. Bloemke

Dean T. Bloemke, Commissioner

s/Casey M. Collins

Casey M. Collins, Commissioner

s/R.T. Streissguth

R.T. Streissguth, Secretary

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 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.

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