

November 2, 2021 General and Special Election

King County  
**Official Local Voters' Pamphlet**

vote!

 Your ballot will arrive by October 18

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## From the Director

**Dear Friends,**

Democracy is not a spectator sport. It takes all of us on the field to build the community, region, and country we want to live in. It takes each of us using the tools that we have available to make a difference. Voting is just one tool we can use to influence the future of our community, and it's an important one.

While voting is not a cure-all to every challenge we face, it does have a profound impact on the decisions that get made in local government - every single day. Decisions about our schools and parks, roads and transit, libraries and childcare. Decisions about how our tax dollars are spent and prioritized. These local elections have an incredible impact on our day-to-day lives.

We are not all always going to agree on everything. That's okay. What matters is that we speak up and turn out. What matters is that you take a few minutes to fill out your ballot, sign it, and return it by mail or by drop box - no stamp needed.

Make your selections. Make yourself heard. Make a difference.

Happy voting,

Julie Wise

## Voting tips



### Fill out your ballot

You can use any color of pen to complete your ballot. You do not have to vote in every race to have your votes counted. Make selections in the contests you'd like and you can skip those that you're unsure about.

### Sign your envelope

Don't forget to sign the back of your return envelope so your ballot can be counted!

### Return your ballot early

Whether returning your ballot by mail or by drop box, don't wait until Election Day! Get your ballot back early.

If returning by drop box, there are more than 70 locations available across the county. You'll find the full list on pages 8-9 of this pamphlet. Drop boxes close promptly at 8 p.m. on Election Day, November 2.

If returning by mail, your ballot must be postmarked by Election Day, November 2. No stamp is needed.

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**You will not be voting on every item in this voters' pamphlet. Let your ballot be your guide on which races and measures to read and review.**

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## Contact information

phone: 206-296-VOTE (8683)  
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email: [elections@kingcounty.gov](mailto:elections@kingcounty.gov)

online: [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections)

# Vote centers

Vote centers are available for voters that need assistance. Each center has voting machines that offer audio or large print ballots, and other assistive devices. Elections staff are available to assist as needed. Voters can also register to vote and get their ballots through Election Day.

Free parking for voters is available at all locations, except Lumen Field Event Center.

Locations		Hours of operation
Renton	<b>King County Elections</b> 919 SW Grady Way, 98057	Weekdays, October 13 - October 22, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  Weekdays, October 25 - November 1, 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  Saturday, October 30, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Election Day, November 2, 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Bellevue	<b>Bellevue College Cafeteria</b> 3000 Landerholm Circle SE, 98007	Saturday, October 30, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Federal Way	<b>Federal Way Performing Arts &amp; Event Center</b> 31510 Pete von Reichbauer Way S, 98003	Monday, November 1, 8:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  Election Day, November 2, 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Kenmore	<b>Kenmore City Hall</b> 18120 68th Ave NE, 98028	
Kent	<b>Kent Centennial Center</b> 400 W Gowe St, 98032	
Seattle	<b>Lumen Field Event Center</b> 800 Occidental Ave S, 98134  Walk-in entrance on the corner of Occidental Ave S and S Royal Brougham Way	



## Public Health Notice

As part of the continued effort to stop the spread of CoVID-19 in our community, King County Elections recommends registering to vote, updating your registration, and accessing your ballot online whenever needed.

We will have Vote Centers open for those who need in person assistance. Face masks that cover both nose and mouth are required, regardless of vaccination status.





## Did you know that you can access your ballot online?

Lost and damaged ballots happen. There's an easy way to access and print your ballot right from home!

Visit [kingcounty.gov/elections/obmp](https://kingcounty.gov/elections/obmp) and enter the required information to access your ballot.

1. Make your selections on the computer or print out a blank ballot and fill it in by hand. If you choose to make your selections online, please double check those selections before and after printing your ballot.
2. When printing, make sure to select the 'fit to page' option to ensure the entire length of the ballot prints.
3. Return via mail or secure drop box, just like you normally would. No postage is required if using the included envelope cover sheet.

Any registered voter can use the online ballot marking program to access and print their ballot.

Voters with disabilities can mark their choices on the ballot online. The online ballot marking program has been designed specifically to enable voters who are blind or have low vision to cast a private ballot.



## Other voting options

If one of the above options doesn't work for you, please contact our office for further assistance.

## Student Engagement Hubs

Never miss an election just because you're away from home! All public universities in Washington now offer student engagement hubs.

For more detailed information on location and hours, please visit [kingcounty.gov/elections](https://kingcounty.gov/elections).

### University of Washington Bothell Campus

Any student registered to vote can use the online ballot marking program to access and print their ballot. Students can also drop their ballot off during hours of operation.

### University of Washington Seattle Campus

Located in the Husky Union Building (HUB), the UW Seattle Student Engagement Hub will provide students an opportunity to get registered for the first time, update their registration, receive a replacement ballot, or use an assistive device. Elections staff will be on hand to answer questions and assist students as needed.

## Who can register

To register to vote in Washington, you must be:

- A citizen of the United States;
- A legal resident of Washington State;
- At least 18 years old by Election Day;
- Not disqualified from voting due to a court order; and
- Not under Department of Corrections supervision for a Washington State felony conviction.

## How to register to vote

### Online

You can register to vote online at [VoteWA.gov](http://VoteWA.gov) – all you need is two minutes and a Washington State Driver's License or ID. You can register online by October 25 for the General election.

### By mail

Download and print a registration form from [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections) and mail it to our office (address on page 4). It must be received by October 25 for the General election.

### In person

You can register in person through November 2, Election Day, at one of our Vote Centers. More information about Vote Center hours and locations can be found on page 4 and on our website at [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections).

## Pre-register to vote

### 16- and 17-year-olds can pre-register to vote!

16- and 17-year-olds can pre-register to vote online or by mail at any time. Their registration will be assigned a 'pending' status until they turn 18. If the registrant turns 18 before the next scheduled Election Day, they will automatically be mailed a ballot at their registered address.



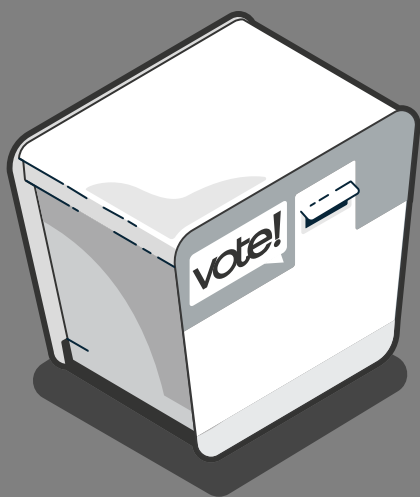
## Keep your voter registration current

Update your registration if you have moved or changed your name. Simply update your information online at [VoteWA.gov](http://VoteWA.gov) or submit a new paper registration form by October 25 for the General election or visit us in person at one of our Vote Centers. If your signature has changed, please submit a new paper registration by October 25 or come see us in person – updates to signatures may not be done online.

# Return your ballot by mail. **No Stamp Needed!**

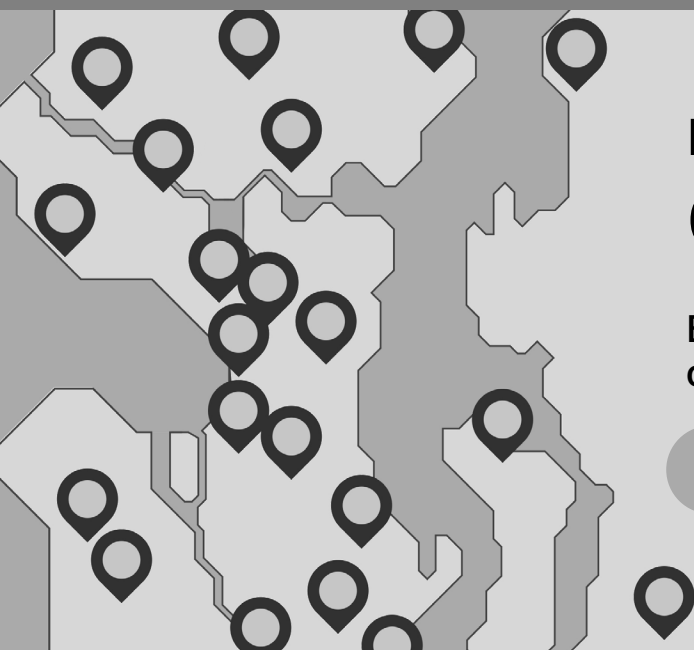
We recommend dropping your ballot in the mail by the Friday before Election Day to make sure it gets postmarked in time to be counted.

Mailed ballots must be postmarked by November 2.



## **The drop box at Kentridge High School has moved!**

To ensure 24-hour access, this drop box has permanently moved to Kent Panther Lake Library located at 20500 108th Ave SE, Kent, WA 98031.



## Return your ballot at a drop box. **Over 70 locations!**

Ballot drop boxes are open until 8 p.m. sharp on November 2.

List of drop box locations on next page



Ballot drop boxes are open 24 hours a day beginning October 14 and close at 8 p.m. sharp on Election Day, November 2.

Auburn
Auburn Library, 1102 Auburn Way S, 98002 Auburn Park & Ride, 101 15th St NE, 98001 Muckleshoot Tribe, Philip Starr Building, 39015 172nd Ave SE, 98092
Bellevue
Bellevue Library, 1111 110th Ave NE, 98004 Crossroads Shopping Center (south entrance), 15600 NE 8th St, 98008 Newport Way Library, 14250 SE Newport Way, 98006
Black Diamond
 Black Diamond Library, 24707 Roberts Dr, 98010
Bothell
Bothell City Hall, 18415 101st Ave NE, 98011
Burien
Boulevard Park Library, 12015 Roseberg Ave S, 98168 Burien Town Square Park (corner of 5th Ave SW and SW 152nd St), 480 SW 152nd St, 98166
Carnation
 Carnation Library, 4804 Tolt Ave, 98014
Covington
Covington Library, 27100 164th Ave SE, 98042
Des Moines
* Highline College (entrance across from 27th Ave S), 2400 S 240th St, 98198
Duvall
* Duvall Police Department-Depot Park, 26225 NE Burhen Way, 98019
Enumclaw
Enumclaw Library, 1700 1st St, 98022
Fall City
Fall City Library, 33415 SE 42nd Pl, 98024
Federal Way
Federal Way 320th Library, 848 S 320th St, 98003 Federal Way City Hall, 33325 8th Ave S, 98003
Issaquah
Issaquah City Hall, 130 E Sunset Way, 98027
Kenmore
Kenmore City Hall, 18120 68th Ave NE, 98028

Kent
 Kent Panther Lake Library, 20500 108th Ave SE, 98031 <i>The drop box at Kentridge High School has been moved to Kent Panther Lake Library to ensure 24-hour access to the box.</i> Kent YMCA, 10828 SE 248th St, 98030 Regional Justice Center (near parking garage entrance), 401 4th Ave N, 98032
Kirkland
Kingsgate Library, 12315 NE 143rd St, 98034 Kirkland City Hall, 123 5th Ave, 98033
Lake Forest Park
Lake Forest Park City Hall, 17425 Ballinger Way NE, 98155
Maple Valley
Hobart Food Market, 20250 276th Ave SE, 98038 * Tahoma School District Building, 25720 Maple Valley-Black Diamond Rd SE, 98038
Mercer Island
Mercer Island Community & Event Center, 8236 SE 24th St, 98040
Newcastle
Newcastle City Hall, 12835 Newcastle Way, 98056
Normandy Park
Normandy Park Towne Center, 19901 1st Ave S, 98148
North Bend
North Bend Library, 115 E 4th St, 98045
Pacific
Algona-Pacific Library, 255 Ellingson Rd, 98047
Redmond
* Redmond City Hall, 15670 NE 85th St, 98052 * Redmond Community Center at Marymoor Village, 6505 176th Ave NE, 98052
Renton
Fairwood Library, 17009 140th Ave SE, 98058 * King County Elections, 919 SW Grady Way, 98057  * Powell Avenue, 725 Powell Ave SW, 98057 <i>Across the street from King County Elections</i> * Renton Public Health Center, 3201 NE 7th St, 98056
Sammamish
Sammamish City Hall, 801 228th Ave SE, 98075
SeaTac
Angle Lake Transit Station, 19955 28th Ave S, 98188 Valley View Library, 17850 Military Rd S, 98188
Shoreline
Shoreline Library, 345 NE 175th St, 98155 Shoreline Park & Ride, 18821 Aurora Ave N, 98133

## Snoqualmie

Snoqualmie Library, 7824 Center Blvd SE, 98065

## Tukwila

\* Tukwila Community Center, 12424 42nd Ave S, 98168

## Vashon

Vashon Library, 17210 Vashon Hwy SW, 98070

## Woodinville

Woodinville Library, 17105 Avondale Rd NE, 98072

## Seattle drop boxes

### Ballard

Ballard Branch Library, Corner of NW 57th St and 22nd Ave NW, 98107

### Beacon Hill

Beacon Hill Library, 2821 Beacon Ave S, 98144  
NewHolly Neighborhood Campus,  
7054 32nd Ave S, 98118

### Broadview/Greenwood

Broadview Library, 12755 Greenwood Ave N, 98133

### Bryn Mawr-Skyway

Skyway Library, 12601 76th Ave S, 98178

### Capitol Hill

Seattle Central College, Broadway-Edison Building  
(northeast corner), 1701 Broadway, 98122

### Central District

Garfield Community Center, 2323 E Cherry St, 98122

### Chinatown/International District

Uwajimaya, 713 6th Ave S, 98104

### Columbia City

Rainier Community Center, 4600 38th Ave S, 98118

### Downtown

King County Administration Building, 500 4th Ave, 98104

### Fremont/Wallingford

Waterway 19 Park (next to Gas Works Park),  
2119 N Northlake Way, 98103

## Green Lake/Phinney

Green Lake Community Center,  
7201 E Green Lake Dr N, 98115

## Lake City

Lake City Library, 12501 28th Ave NE, 98125

## Magnolia

\* Magnolia Park, 1461 Magnolia Blvd W, 98199

## Northgate

North Seattle College (south visitor lot access from  
N 95th St), 9600 College Way N, 98103

## Queen Anne

\* Seattle Pacific University Bookstore,  
310 W Bertona St, 98119

## Rainier Valley

Rainier Beach Community Center,  
8825 Rainier Ave S, 98118

## Sand Point/Laurelhurst

\* Magnuson Park - The Brig,  
6344 NE 74th St, 98115

## South Lake Union

South Lake Union, 310 Terry Ave N, 98109

## South Park

South Park Library, 8604 8th Ave S, 98108


## University District

University of Washington Campus, Schmitz Hall (by  
north entrance on NE 41st St), 1410 NE Campus Pkwy,  
98195

## West Seattle/Delridge

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

High Point Library, 3411 SW Raymond St, 98126

 South Seattle College (at the entrance of the Robert  
Smith Building), 6000 16th Ave SW, 98106

## White Center

White Center Library, 1409 SW 107th St, 98146

\* Drive-up ballot drop boxes

# Close at 8 p.m. sharp on Election Day, November 2.



# King County Elections – Securing Our Elections So Every Vote Counts

At King County Elections, our top priority is ensuring that our elections are secure, accessible, and accurate. We know that secure elections are essential to maintain public trust, protect our democracy, and enable our voters to cast a private, confidential choice with their vote.

## Physical Security

The King County Elections Headquarters was designed and renovated specifically for processing vote-by-mail ballots and keeping those ballots secure. Director Julie Wise was the first election administrator in the country to request an audit of physical security by the Department of Homeland Security in 2017.

### What we're doing:

- Our facility is monitored by over 50 security cameras
- Six live webcams through which the public can watch us at work during the ballot processing period
- Staff and observers must badge into and out of the ballot processing area
- Ballot storage and tabulation areas require both a badge and biometric access

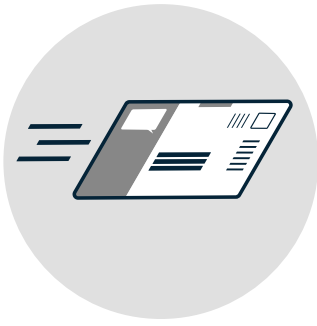
## Cybersecurity

In our rapidly changing world, cybersecurity is paramount to protecting our elections. Previous years have seen attempts to tamper with election systems across the country. None of these attempts have been successful here in King County and every day, our team works to make the walls higher and barriers stronger for those looking to influence our elections.

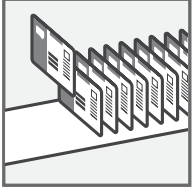
Following the 2016 election, Director Julie Wise requested a review of the department's cybersecurity from the Washington State Auditor's Cybersecurity Team to identify and implement practices and procedures to bolster security of our systems and electronic access points.

### What we're doing:

- Employ cybersecurity staff based in Elections and at King County
- All staff receive annual cybersecurity training
- Voter registration and tabulation systems are kept separate for maximum security
- Tabulation system is on an entirely closed network, not connected to the internet
- Correspondence and attachments are monitored and scanned 24/7/365 for threats and attempts to breach our systems



# How does my ballot get processed?



Envelopes are scanned, pictures of the signature captured, and marked as 'received.'



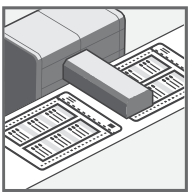
Signatures are checked against voter registration records by trained specialists. If the signature is missing or doesn't match, voters are mailed a letter to fix the issue. This form must be returned with a matching signature for the ballot to move forward in the process.



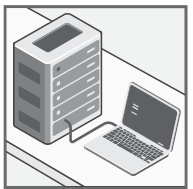
If the signature matches, envelopes are opened and security sleeves are removed.



Staff remove ballot from security sleeve and reviewed for potential scanning issues.



Ballots are scanned, prepared for tabulation and securely stored for the retention period.



Ballots continue to be processed and tabulated, and signature issues continue to be corrected, until certification.





# Your signature matters.

Each election, about 1% of ballots are returned either without a signature or with a signature that doesn't quite match. Don't let that be you.

Here are a few tips to help make sure your signature passes the check and your ballot gets counted:

- If you register online, we pull your signature from the Dept. of Licensing, so check the signature on your driver's license or state ID and try to match that as closely as you can.
- Your signature does not need to be written in cursive or nicely or even legibly, it just needs to match the one that we already have on file. If you have a chicken scratch signature, that's okay! Just make sure you scratch it out the same way each time you vote.
- If you have no idea what signature you might have used or it's been a while and your signature has changed, you can always update your signature simply by returning a paper voter registration form. You can download a paper registration form at [bit.ly/WAVoteRF](https://bit.ly/WAVoteRF). Returning a paper registration form will add your updated signature to your file.
- Track your ballot to ensure that it gets counted. If there's an issue with your signature, you'll see it there on the online ballot tracker. You'll find the ballot tracker on our My Voter Information tool at [kingcounty.gov/elections](https://kingcounty.gov/elections).

If there is an issue with your signature not matching or if you just plain forgot to sign, we will send you a letter and, if we have it, we'll reach out by email and phone as well. To make sure your ballot is counted, you'll need to fill out and return a simple form before 4:30 p.m. on November 22.



**If you have questions about signature challenges or how to fix yours, please call us at 206-205-5686.**



Title	Duties	Term (years)	Salary (2021)
King County Executive (elected by voters in King County)	Responsible for the implementation of council and commission policies and the day-to-day administration of county government and services.	4	\$248,148
Metropolitan King County Council (elected by voters in County Council District)	Sets policies, enacts laws, adopts the county budgets, and provides oversight to county services.	4	\$163,394
Port of Seattle Commissioner (elected by voters in King County)	Operates, manages, equips, and maintains the port and establishes Port policies that impact the maritime port and SeaTac airport.	4	\$56,881
City Mayor (elected by voters in the city)	Works with the city council to enact legislation. Runs the day-to-day business of the city government.	4	Varies by city
Seattle City Attorney (elected by voters in the city)	Supervises all City litigation, provides legal advice to the City of Seattle's management, and prosecutes violations of City ordinances.	4	\$183,848
City Council (elected by voters in the city)	Approves the city's budget, develops laws and policies, and oversees public services.	4	Varies by city
Municipal Court Judge (elected by voters in the city)	Hears and decides misdemeanor and gross misdemeanor crimes, including domestic violence, DUI, traffic infractions, parking tickets, and littering.	4	\$180,614
School District Director/Position (elected by voters in the school district <sup>1</sup> )	Sets policies for schools, provides oversight for the operations of the school system, and represents the interests of the community on public education issues.	4	No annual salary
Fire District Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees fire services including fire response and protection, emergency medical aid, and more.	6	No annual salary
Water District Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the water district to provide clean, safe drinking water.	6	No annual salary
Sewer/Wastewater Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the sewer district to maintain facilities, meet water needs, and meet environmental requirements.	6	No annual salary
Utility District Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees the utility district to maintain properties, conserve energy, and monitor use of many types of energy.	6	No annual salary
Public Hospital Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Oversees hospital operations and delivers services to promote health.	6	No annual salary
Park District Commission (elected by voters in the district)	Develops goals, sets policies, and oversees regulation of district parks.	Varies	No annual salary

<sup>1</sup>Seattle School District No. 1 director districts are only voted on by voters within each director district for the primary election. These districts are determined by your voting address, not where your children attend school. In the general election, these districts are voted at-large (districtwide) by all registered voters in Seattle School District No. 1.



## Who donates to campaigns?

View contributors for candidates and measures

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## Executive

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**Education:** University of Washington: BA, MA Urban Planning, Law; West Seattle High School

**Occupation:** King County Executive; former Councilmember, Senator, Representative; Attorney; Planner

**Statement:** When COVID-19 arrived here, I took decisive action and led with science, saving thousands of lives. The New York Times reported that had America followed our lead “the nation could have avoided more than 300,000 coronavirus deaths.” Today, King County has the highest vaccination rate among large counties nationwide. *As we continue battling this stubborn pandemic, I’m bringing that same clarity and resolve to the toughest challenges—homelessness, public safety, climate action, and uniting our region for an economic recovery where everyone can thrive.*

*We are taking bold action on homelessness, purchasing hundreds of hotel rooms and moving hundreds of chronically homeless people off the streets this year, with the services to restore lives. Through Best Starts for Kids, we’ve kept 10,000 children and families safely housed. This crisis, worsened by the pandemic, requires proven ability to drive actual change.*

*We’re improving public safety—and public trust: Gun violence prevention, aid to victims of domestic violence, and community collaboration improving safety and appointing a new sheriff. We’re helping kids stay in school, graduate, and avoid the criminal legal system—driving down youth detention nearly 10-fold.*

*Urgent action on climate—I’ve led regional light rail expansion, made Metro the Best Large Transit Agency in North America (2018), and launched conversion to all-electric buses. We’ve protected miles of forests, farmlands, and shorelines; and planted over one million trees.*

*Progressive, visionary leadership—that’s why I’m endorsed by Governors Inslee, Gregoire, and Locke; 40 Democratic legislators; Planned Parenthood; Washington Conservation Voters; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; MLK Labor; SEIU; UFCW; Nurses, Firefighters, and Building Trades unions; the Seattle Times; and diverse community leadership. My parents—retired public school teachers—taught me values of service and community. Shirley and I are raising our daughter in the same West Seattle neighborhood where I grew up.*

## Joe Nguyen

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**Education:** Bachelor’s in Finance/Humanities, Seattle University; Kennedy High School in Burien

**Occupation:** State Senator, 34th Legislative District & Senior Program Manager, Microsoft

**Statement:** After 12 years of current leadership failing to solve our biggest problems like homelessness, it’s time for change. As we recover from this pandemic, we need an Executive who understands how hard working families in King County have struggled to make ends meet -- even before this crisis. I’m the son of refugees from White Center, and worked as a janitor at my own high school. Despite great adversity, I built a successful career in the private sector and now I represent my community in the State Senate.

*We can build a brighter future for every family in King County. We can build a community where everyone has a safe place to call home, every senior can age in place with dignity, and every parent can provide for their kids. We can achieve all of this, if we have an Executive who will act with the urgency needed to actually solve problems.*

For years, the communities I grew up in haven’t gotten the same investments to support working people that made my success possible. As a result, residents of South King County got sick and died from COVID-19 at twice the rate of those in other parts of the county. Those deaths were preventable, if County leadership had prioritized every community’s safety.

The pandemic wasn’t the first crisis where our current leadership neglected working families who have been pushed out of their neighborhoods. The status quo has given us 12 years of unaffordable housing, longer commutes, inaction on climate change, and worsening gun violence in our communities. We need bold solutions implemented with transparency and accountability, and I have the private and public sector experience to get things done.

**Endorsements:** State Treasurer Mike Pellicciotti and other elected leaders, ATU 587, IUPAT DC 5, UAW 4121 and local Democratic Party organizations.

## Council District No. 1

## Sally Caverzan

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**Education:** WWU BA in Psychology, Jesuit college preparatory, parochial elementary, Masters coursework in Social Work

**Occupation:** Mother, LTC Social Worker, Behavioral Health Intake, USPS, Rideshare, Hypnotherapist

**Statement:** I was born into the silent sheltered shame of domestic violence. My lived-experience as both the survivor and aftermath of multisystemic failures to protect the vulnerable is a testimony on behalf of silent victims. My Life Purpose is to hold space for those who lack power or voice. We must remove the money from the power if we desire candidates whose waves will lift *all* boats, not just stakeholders'.

I support term limits and salary caps relative to area median incomes to keep our leaders' accountable/relatable. I envision institutional reformation with participatory budgeting. We cannot marginalize the role the system has played in our generational traumas. We must aim towards reparative models with respect and humility. The violent crime cannot be curbed with human sweeps or pepperspray. We must treat the root cause: our mental health and addiction crisis. We warrant a new approach; candidates with different competencies. I will push to expand the RADAR program and to create a King County Regional Treatment Facility so that drug-fueled crimes can have treatment-focused sentences. We need transitional, supportive and permanent affordable housing; reintegration instead of revolving doors.

I Believe that any person willing to contribute to the Public Good should not struggle to keep their lights on or pay rent. We need to grow our King County Conservation Corps towards more opportunity for stability, to rid our public streets, greenbelts and waterways of garbage, to weed-out invasives, plant native trees, protect pollinators, and to drastically expand local plastic recycling. In the face of a fragile global supply chain, we must invest in green industries like rain barrels to empower food sovereignty. We necessitate a county-wide tree ordinance.

We must let the sun set on the cycles of abuse and wanton refuse. The fate of tomorrow rests in the interventions of today.

## Rod Dembowski

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**Education:** Renton Schools; Georgetown University, Business Management & Government, cum laude (1994); UW Law School (2001).

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

**Statement:** Rod Dembowski is a hands-on, results-driven councilmember, who has *never missed a vote*. When the pandemic hit, Rod went to work, securing quarantine sites, delivering food and masks to senior centers, bringing vaccination sites to North King County, and helping workers and businesses recover.

**An advocate for seniors.** Rod secured millions of dollars to support the Northshore, Shoreline and Lake City Senior Centers. He helped hundreds of seniors with property tax relief.

**An environmental champion.** Rod passed the strongest local climate action plan in the country. Rod has proposed a climate bond to equitably accelerate the county's response to climate change. He wrote the law to electrify the Metro Transit fleet. He's protected farmland and open space, helped save the Wayne Golf Course, acquired waterfront land in Lake Forest Park, expanded Big Finn Hill Park, funded the Green Loop Trail, and cleaned up Thornton Creek.

**A leader on behavioral health.** Rod led efforts to fund the new Behavioral Health Institute at Harborview. In partnership with local police departments, Rod secured funding to expand the RADAR/Navigator program, pairing mental health professionals with police officers to help people in crisis. *Rod worked to reform our homelessness response.* He helped establish the new Regional Homelessness Authority, bringing cities and providers countywide together to fix a broken system and get our unsheltered neighbors housed and healthy.

The Municipal League recognized Rod as the *Public Official of the Year*. The Center for Human Services honored Rod for his *commitment to human services*. The Korean American Association honored Rod for his work *protecting and expanding voting rights*. *Rod's Endorsements include:* Mayors of Shoreline, Lake Forest Park, Kenmore, Kirkland, Bothell, Woodinville. Washington Conservation Voters. Alliance for Gun Responsibility. King County Democrats. King County Labor Council. Affordable Housing Council. Attorney General Bob Ferguson. Congresswoman Suzan DelBene.

## Council District No. 5

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**Occupation:** Youth Development Lead, Best Starts for Kids, King County

**Statement:** Our diverse South King County communities deserve authentic representation on King County Council. As an immigrant, former refugee, and product of Kent public housing, *I am of this community*. I have lived the challenges that so many members of our community face, and felt the beauty of this community that supported me when I needed it most. For 14 years, I have served the same community that supported me - connecting families to life changing resources like public housing, affordable childcare, education, and healthcare.

Our neighbors have spoken. *It's time for new leadership with lived experience.*

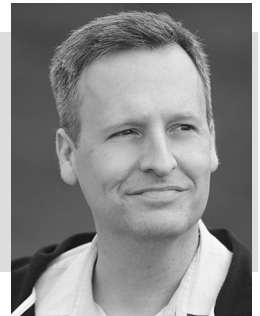
Our mission is beyond politics. Together, we will create an environment where every corner of our district can thrive. Our community-created priorities reflect this: *\*Building affordable housing as a human right, and increasing tenant protections to prevent housing instability and displacement that disproportionately burdens households of color and low-income families; \*Bending the legal system toward justice by investing in alternatives to incarceration through a public health response to social safety; \*Investing in public health and human services to provide mental health and trauma-informed care to our communities reeling from the COVID-19 crisis; \*Supporting small businesses overlooked by federal and local pandemic assistance to fully recover from the economic downturn.*

If elected, it will not just be my voice on the King County Council. *It will be yours.* It will be the voices of all residents looking to be heard and valued by our democracy.

*Endorsed by King County Democrats, Washington Housing Alliance Action Fund, SEIU 775, 925, & 1199NW, OneAmerica Votes, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, The Urbanist, Transit Riders Union; Elected leaders, including State Representatives Debra Entenman, David Hackney, Jamila Taylor and Kirsten Harris-Talley, Burien Deputy Mayor Krystal Marx, Tukwila City Councilmember Cynthia Delostrinos Johnson, Highline School Board Director Fa'izah Bradford, and many more.*

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**Education:** BA in Environmental Conservation, University of Colorado, Graduate Certificate in Energy Policy, University of Idaho

**Occupation:** Current King County Councilmember, former 33rd District State Representative

**Statement:** Endorsed by more than 100 leaders from communities of color in South King County, I work hard as your King County Councilmember to treat everyone in our community with respect.

The first COVID death in the nation was in King County, and our county public health department was the front line of defense. I am proud that by following the science and supporting our public health professionals, we have the lowest COVID rate of any major urban county in the continental United States.

As we emerge from this pandemic, our region faces serious challenges. We need to get homeless individuals off the street and into housing with services. We need to prioritize public safety and our first responders while improving accountability, transparency, and justice for all. *We all deserve to feel safe in our community.* We need to support local small businesses to help boost our economy and create jobs and economic opportunity for all.

The solutions to homelessness, public safety and our economy aren't going to come from Seattle. They will come from those of us here in South King County working together to solve problems. These are serious times, and I will use my experience and proven leadership to fight for our community and deliver results. Nobody will work harder for South King County. I would be honored to earn your vote.

*Endorsed:* King County Democrats, King County Labor Council, Sierra Club, Teachers (WEA), Nurses (SEIU 1199), Firefighters (IAFF), Attorney General Bob Ferguson, Congressman Adam Smith, King County Executive Dow Constantine, Senators Karen Keiser and Bob Hasegawa, Representatives David Hackney, Tina Orwall, Pat Sullivan, Sharon Tomiko-Santos, and Joe Fitzgibbon, Renton Mayor Armando Pavone, Renton City Council President Ruth Perez, Renton Councilmember Ed Prince, Kent Councilmembers Satwinder Kaur and Brenda Fincher, and many other trusted local leaders.



## Council District No. 9

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

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

**Statement:** I am troubled by the dramatic increase in crime and homelessness in King County, and I believe we can do better. I am one of the few voices fighting to give law enforcement the tools they need to do their jobs, pushing to fund the criminal justice system and keep it accountable, and working with communities to remove dangerous homeless encampments while connecting those who live in them with holistic services.

I am also the only member of the County Council with real crime fighting experience, having spent years working for the Department of Justice. I was appointed by a U.S. President and served as a Federal Prosecutor with *Top Secret* clearance. I also worked in the Terrorism and Violent Crime Unit of the U.S. Attorney's office, and led the Justice Department's national initiative to fight gun violence. This background is important as the County Council now has oversight of the Sheriff's Office. King County needs a Councilmember who understands how to keep our neighborhoods safe.

I am honored that *The Seattle Times*, all eight mayors in our district, and our police and firefighters have endorsed me, because they know this experience is needed. *"Dunn's independence, effectiveness and experience will be even more valuable as the county redoubles its efforts to fight homelessness, and increase transparency and eliminate inequities in law enforcement and criminal justice...Dunn continues to be the best choice"* (*Seattle Times*, July 16, 2021).

I promise to continue to work in a bipartisan manner to fight crime, reduce homelessness, protect the environment, recover from the pandemic, keep your taxes low, and continue to help those who suffer from drug and alcohol addiction.

I am honored to be your advocate on the King County Council, I work for you, and I appreciate your vote.

## Kim-Khanh Van

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**Education:** BAs, Sociology and Law, Societies, & Justice, University of Washington; JD, University of Dayton

**Occupation:** Renton City Councilmember, Small Business Owner, and Attorney

**Statement:** As a refugee from Vietnam, my family came here seeking a better future. Working multiple jobs, and the first in my family to graduate college, I value hard work, the importance of opportunity, and strength of community.

Our district deserves leadership committed to these same principles, a County Councilmember who addresses unique challenges facing our suburban, unincorporated, and rural communities. Unfortunately, after 16 years of the same, our district is missing representation in touch with local priorities and willing to embrace opportunities for regional progress.

*I'm the only candidate for this position with a proven track record as an elected official and small business owner.* I've expanded access to apprenticeships and career pathways on the Renton Technical College Foundation Board; advocated for seniors and Veterans through Sound Cities Senior, Aging and Disability Council. I volunteer as a military JAG and support Veterans through the VFW and Wounded Warrior Project. I've worked towards an inclusive region for all on the King County Coalition Against Hate and Bias. I'm also a mom and PTA President.

With your vote, I'll build on my record of leadership on the Renton City Council to coordinate regional action on homelessness and affordable housing, make overdue transit and transportation improvements, ensure fiscal responsibility, stand up for struggling local businesses, and step up safeguards protecting our climate and quality of life. As we rebuild trust in our Sheriff's Office, I will demand needed public safety improvements, support for victims, and hire officers who reflect our communities, as I have in Renton. Together, we can recover, grow, and move our region forward.

*Endorsed: Washington Conservation Voters; Alliance for Gun Responsibility; SEIU 1199NW healthcare workers; Executive Constantine; Treasurer Pellicciotti; Senators Das, Wellman, and Kauffman (fmr.); Representatives Bergquist, Thai, Entenman, Santos, and Maxwell (fmr.); Councilmembers; School Board Members; more!*

## Commissioner Position No. 1

## Norman Z. Sigler

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**Education:** MBA Accounting, University of Michigan; BS Natural Sciences/Mathematics, Washington & Lee University

**Occupation:** Executive Recruiter, CLEAR-Consulting.Biz; Former Alaska Airlines Manager of Finance

**Statement:** King County residents founded the Port of Seattle in 1911 and it is still supported by your taxes today. I plan to lead with bold actions and big ideas like designating a portion of Port profits to eliminating Port-related pollution while mitigating environmental injustices in the Port's neighboring communities. This ensures that the Port adds to the health and quality of life in our region.

*CLEAR-Consulting.Biz*, my executive search firm, helps Puget Sound social profits diversify their leadership teams and as a Port Commissioner, I'll use my career skills to bring leaders together from neighboring counties and state levels to create more Green projects, invest in infrastructure that connects our regions, and do more business with diverse, environmentally friendly companies. I bring experience managing maintenance contracts for engine repairs, planning new routes, controlling costs, and building airline partnerships at Alaska Airlines, Northwest Airlines, and Continental Airlines. My past work as a healthcare strategy consultant for Blue Cross/Blue Shield and as an environmental scientist assessing commercial properties for environmental hazards means I would be the only Port Commissioner to bring institutional knowledge on day one from aviation, healthcare, and the environmental sectors.

SeaTac International Airport represents 70% - 80% of all Port of Seattle operations and is its greatest asset. Removing pollution from the supply chain of air travel is imperative if we want to continue to enjoy convenient international and domestic air service. We must also provide good union living wage jobs for our workers in the airport, fishing, and shipping industries.

I am proudly endorsed by the 34th Legislative District Democrats (Burien, Vashon Island, West Seattle, White Center).

Learn more about my campaign at [www.NormanSiglerForPort.com](http://www.NormanSiglerForPort.com) and thank you for your vote!

## Ryan Calkins

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**Education:** M.A. International Relations, Yale University; B.A., Willamette University

**Occupation:** Small business consultant; Nonprofit professional supporting women and minority-owned businesses

**Statement:** As your Port Commissioner, it's my honor to create living wage careers, support workers and small businesses, and advance the Port's actions to defeat climate change. I'm running for re-election to continue these efforts to build a Port aligned with our communities' forward-thinking priorities and values.

*Recovering from COVID, the Port must serve as an engine for job creation.* That's why I've fought to keep projects on schedule despite the pandemic, driving job growth and improving infrastructure that supports local businesses. Leveraging relationships with state and federal partners, I'm pushing for critical new projects, so our airport and seaport remain world class, competitive with the rest of the nation – and the world.

Drawing on my experience as a small business owner, *we're strengthening and creating new career and entrepreneurial pathways.* Apprenticeships, workforce training, Maritime High School, and business development are cornerstones for continued growth. Coupled with equity-driven programs for underrepresented communities, we're ensuring everyone has the opportunity to thrive and prosper.

I first ran for this office to accelerate our actions to address climate change. *I'm proud to have led efforts to make our Port the nation's most environmentally sustainable.* We'll continue our truly innovative approach in sustainable aviation fuels and complete decarbonization of the Seattle central waterfront, while driving more bold action to meet the scale of the climate crisis. The Port can serve as a global hub of the green economy, creating new industries and employment.

My endorsements show my proven commitment to working with others to achieve results. *King County Democrats; National Organization for Women; Sierra Club; Washington Conservation Voters; MLK Labor and unions representing firefighters, nurses, essential workers; Congressmembers Jayapal and Smith; Attorney General Ferguson; Treasurer Pellicciotti; Executive Constantine; over 20 King County legislators; local elected officials; and many more!*

## Commissioner Position No. 3

### Stephanie Bowman

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**Education:** Masters of Business Administration, Seattle University; Bachelor of Science, University of Idaho

**Occupation:** Executive Director, Washington ABC, a non-profit economic empowerment agency

**Statement:** Voters have a clear choice this election about our Port and region's future.

The Port is critical to our economy. Thousands of middle-class jobs and small businesses depend on the essential services provided by our international airport and seaport. We need *experienced, collaborative Commissioners* focused on keeping the Port efficient, competitive and accountable.

I've dedicated my service on the Commission to ensuring our public port *creates and supports quality jobs countywide*, while mitigating its impacts on disproportionately affected communities and the environment.

My work has resulted in: *keeping cargo and jobs in our region* by creating a historic partnership with the Port of Tacoma; *new opportunities for small, locally-owned and diverse businesses* to operate at Sea-Tac; *expanding apprenticeships and workforce training* in Port-related industries, and *unprecedented investments to reduce harmful impacts on our air, water and quality of life* by cleaning up stormwater, port trucks and electrifying port operations.

Some seek the Port Commission as a platform for political activism. By contrast, I have a track record of turning King County's values into actions: *making the Port a national leader in addressing climate impacts* affecting us all, focusing on carbon reduction, sequestration and energy efficiency; *creating green jobs of the future* by supporting innovative local businesses, and using the Port's resources to *lift up communities and residents throughout King County*. Let's keep the Port working for all of us. Commissioners should represent all residents, not a specific interest group or a political agenda. I'm proud to have the support of local leaders who understand the Port's essential role: Governors Chris Gregoire and Gary Locke; the Maritime Unions and King County Building Trades; Seattle Firefighters, airport workers, environmental leaders, and elected officials state and countywide. I'd be honored to continue bringing my values, knowledge, and experience to work on your behalf.

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

**Occupation:** Policy Advisor: County Executive; Former Deputy District Director: Congresswoman Jayapal

**Statement:** As we recover from COVID-19, we must rethink our Port's policies and promote transparency, accountability, and public participation. My father was a trucker and my mother was a Sea-Tac airport worker, and I know firsthand how important it is that working families are protected. At the King County Executive Office, I advise on the County's \$12 billion budget and manage initiatives that invest millions in small businesses, community organizations, and COVID-19 response. I have served on multiple nonprofit boards and as a regional Organizing Director for President Biden's campaign. I have the skills, relationships, and expertise in economic development to achieve real results for communities in and around the Port.

**Economic Recovery:** I will work to establish re-entry programs for COVID-19-impacted workers, and establish the first Small Business Recovery Taskforce. I will focus on making the Port more competitive by streamlining our operations at our waterfront, improving freight mobility, and investing in high-speed rail, creating 24,000 jobs.

**Environmental Action:** I will prioritize habitat restoration, the reduction of toxic pollution, and will work to expand the Port's role in fighting our climate crisis. I am also committed to Port electrification and a just transition.

**Airport Communities:** The Port of Seattle's largest revenue stream is Sea-Tac Airport, yet none of the five Port Commissioners live in South King County. As a SeaTac resident, I am prepared to be a strong voice for cleaner aviation fuels, stronger sound insulation programs, and tackling ultrafine particle pollution with local leaders.

I am the only candidate endorsed by all nineteen King County Democratic Party organizations. Sole endorsements: Congresswoman Jayapal, Congressman Smith, King County Executive Constantine, Attorney General Ferguson, Commissioner of Public Lands Franz, Aerospace Machinists, UFCW, all SEIU locals, Teamsters Joint Council 28, Washington Conservation Voters, 50 Democratic legislators, and 300+ organizations and business leaders.

## Commissioner Position No. 4

## Peter Steinbrueck

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**Education:** Loeb Fellow, Harvard University; MA, Architecture, University of Washington; BA, Government, Bowdoin College

**Occupation:** Seattle Port Commissioner; Architect; Sustainability Strategist; Former Seattle City Councilmember

**Statement:** I learned early in life indelible civic leadership lessons and community values at the side of my father, Victor Steinbrueck, in his battle to save Pike Place Market. Through my years of public service, I've continued our family legacy, and as Port Commissioner I've worked hard to move our Port and the region forward with steady leadership and unswerving commitment to human values and transparency.

As Port Commissioner, I've worked to create: thousands of family-wage construction and dock jobs; critical oversight of billions in public works projects; a \$10 million South King County Community Impact Fund; a comprehensive carbon reduction plan for Sea-Tac Airport; a carbon-less and fully electrified Seaport by 2030; an extensive assessment of Port policing practices and policing reforms with a passion for civil rights and social justice; and accountable, open, and transparent government.

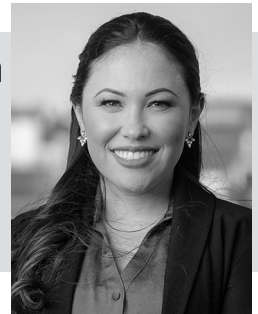
I've worked hard to improve environmental conditions at Sea-Tac Airport—reducing noise, improving air quality, increasing access for people with disabilities, raising flight kitchen workers' pay, and supporting taxicab drivers.

*We Can Build The Port Of The Future Together:* to be the region's driver for equitable middle-income wage jobs, the environmental leader among ports globally and ending systemic racism, all while demonstrating sound financial management, greater taxpayer accountability, transparency, and open government.

**Endorsed:** Ron Sims; Gael Tarleton; Auburn Mayor Nancy Backus; State Representatives Roger Goodman, Javier Valdez, and Frank Chopp; Bellevue City Councilmember Conrad Lee; Bellevue Mayor Lynne Robinson; Joan McBride; Bruce Harrell; Tomio Moriguchi; Nick Licata; SeaTac City Councilmember Pete Kwon; Federal Way Mayor Jim Farrell; Francisco Irigon; Sharon Lee; Civic rights Leader Lem Howell; Earth Day Founder Denis Hayes; King County Building and Construction Trades; 32nd LD Democrats; Metropolitan Democratic Club; Port of Seattle Fire Fighters; Seattle Fire Fighters; Plumbers and Pipe Fitters Local 32; Eastside Business Alliance... and many more!

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**Education:** Seattle University - Masters & Bachelors Degrees; Garfield High School

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**Statement:** As a lifelong resident of the Beacon Hill neighborhood, I've seen our Port's impact on communities. Leading a state agency, I witnessed how once again, when crises struck, working families were hit hardest. Disparities have deepened and our Port is one of the top polluters of carbon emissions in the state. It's fallen short of answering the challenges of our time. As a mom, I worry for the future.

Our Port is a connector - the gateway to the world and economic heartbeat of our region. It's uniquely positioned to be a model in bringing together stakeholders in industry, business, labor and community to build our economy back better while effectively reducing pollution. Growing our economy and advancing our environmental goals go hand-in-hand, *but we need new leadership to get it done.*

As Commissioner, I'll prioritize sustainably growing our maritime and aviation economies by transitioning off fossil fuels and promoting projects like electric terminals, off-shore wind, and solar panels to modernize our Port. Investing in infrastructure like high speed rail and better roads will promote international trade and improve the flow of goods and passengers throughout the region. These projects create family-wage jobs for workers and opportunities for small businesses. We can improve the quality of life for residents and ensure our Port operates in a safe, efficient manner without long, exhausting wait lines.

Meeting the needs of this moment requires new leadership with a bold vision, plan to act, and unwavering commitment to our goals. I'm running to ensure the rising tide of recovery lifts all ships.

*Endorsed by Washington Conservation Voters, MLK County Labor Council, Ironworkers Local 86, NW Carpenters, business leaders, every legislative Democratic organization in King County, and over 50 electeds including Gov. Jay Inslee, Lt. Gov. Denny Heck, Congressman Adam Smith & Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal.*



## Council Position No. 1

### Martin Barrett

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Business Administration, Seattle Pacific University

**Occupation:** Co-Founder, Sozo Gifts

**Statement:** I moved to Burien 26 years ago with my wife to raise our family.

Starting a business in Burien, we delighted in the diversity of the local business community. I'm running for office because the actions of the current council are crippling the vitality of our neighborhoods and the business core.

It's the responsibility of the City Council, Planning and Economic Commissions to provide clean, safe neighborhoods for all residents. We must provide the necessary law enforcement, mental health, and addiction counseling required for a safe city. The residents of Burien deserve a positive outcome to the homeless crisis. The answer isn't creating a homeless warehouse (DESC) nor unsupervised mental or criminal halfway houses (ESF's) in every neighborhood. We need solutions that restore all people as contributing community members. With your vote, we can restore the optimism that has been true of this community and build a better future together.

### Hugo Garcia

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**Education:** Highline School District Graduate - Evergreen High School - Cascade Middle School - Shorewood Elementary

**Occupation:** Economic Development Manager, King County Government, Department of Local Services

**Statement:** Burien is a community that opens its arms to residents of all cultures. It's a place that supports and loves local businesses. A place that shows you can have the values of a small town, without sacrificing our policies that protect the most vulnerable in our communities. I've been proud to serve on the Burien Planning and Small Business Commissions and am asking for your vote for city council.

As a council member, I will focus on ensuring a pandemic recovery that centers small businesses, public safety for all, and housing solutions for working families. My professional background brings business and economic development expertise to our city government and my passion for our community will help guide my decision-making. I humbly ask for your vote to help make that happen.

**Endorsements:** King County Democrats, 33 & 34 LD Democrats, MLK Labor, Highline Education Association, Laborers 242, Teamsters, and UFCW 21

## Council Position No. 3

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**Education:** Ascend Seattle (University of Washington), Latino Business Action Network Program (Stanford Graduate School of Business)

**Occupation:** Founder and CEO of Ahora Construction, Burien, WA.

**Statement:** I am running for re-election to city council because our residents are dissatisfied with the situation in Burien and things must change. We are being confronted daily with individuals who need facilities that can treat their mental illness or addiction, to where they *and* all community members can feel safer.

As importantly, Burien must do a better job promoting public safety and stopping property crimes so taxpayers receive the services they are paying for and should receive. While Burien has become one of the safest cities in King County, thanks to what we achieved together during my first term as mayor, public safety is an ongoing concern.

I love serving my community, and if you re-elect me, my only pledge will be to serve you, the good people of Burien. Thank you for your vote to continue building a better Burien!

### Mark Dorsey

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**Education:** Cerritos College

**Occupation:** Entrepreneur, Executive Mentor

**Statement:** My motivation to run for Burien City Council is based on my love for our city and a desire to bring to our City Council a higher EQ and common-sense approach. I am not seeking a higher office.

When strategizing how to best address our homeless and mental health opportunities, we need city council members that are going to thoroughly vet initiatives in the best interest of Burien citizens, proactively.

Burien is littered with trash and unscrupulous individuals. If we do not care for our streets and our city, then we are sending a message that we do not care, and therefore we are inadvertently welcoming this to our city. We must take-action to quell this misconception with urgency. Lastly, when we talk about police services, we need to let the quality of our police services lead the conversation, not the price. Price shopping our safety is not an option.

## Council Position No. 5

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**Education:** BS Biology, Bates College, Lewiston ME**Occupation:** Executive Director, Highline Botanical Garden. Previously, Pacific Science Center.

**Statement:** Burien is growing, in population, complexity, and the challenges we face. If elected, I will intentionally foster this growth, respecting our history while planning for our future. I will lead Burien on climate action, stewarding the water, air and land that define and impact us all. I will address housing stability, engaging regional partners to develop resources to keep people in their homes, and increase housing and shelter for those who are unhoused.

Safety includes emergency response options in addition to police. I will advocate to increase human services, build tools for responding to people in crisis, and use our resources to address root causes of crime, including poverty and lack of opportunity. Vote Sarah Moore, the leader for a stronger, more equitable Burien.

Endorsements: 33rd, 34th and King County Democrats, MLK Labor, SEIU1199NW, Planned Parenthood Advocates Alliance, Washington Housing Alliance Action Fund.

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**Education:** B.S. Mechanical Engineering, Montana State University - Aviation High School Class of 2010**Occupation:** Burien Business Owner

**Statement:** I am a third generation Burien business owner, a father, and a husband. I was raised in this wonderful city and have invested my whole life here.

Over the last several years, I have witnessed crime getting worse. Businesses and residents throughout the city have shared similar concerns. My business struggles with this daily, and my employees question their safety at work. Burien needs to address these problems swiftly.

Council decisions have hurt our community. We need affordable housing. However, DESC is not the answer. Zoning allowing Enhanced Services Facilities in residential areas threatens neighborhood safety. Approving an 8% utility tax during the pandemic while families were already struggling was wrong. We must do better. I will use my personal experience to take a practical approach to solving the issues we face in Burien. With your vote, we can make Burien a safe and thriving city for families and businesses.

## Council Position No. 7

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**Education:** Highline College A.A. in Sociology**Occupation:** Burien City Councilmember, Deputy Mayor (2018-present); Executive Director, Seattle Pride

**Statement:** It's been an honor representing Burien as your Councilmember since 2018. I'm running for re-election because I believe Burien is a vibrant, welcoming city and we need leaders who believe and lead with that philosophy, not with fear and division.

My first term in office was focused on working diligently on issues that directly impacted Burien residents: public safety, affordability, housing, and worker protections. I'm proud of the work we've been able to accomplish on tenant protections, so people facing eviction can stay in their homes rather than fall into homelessness. I also stood with our frontline workers, specifically our grocery workers, since they put their lives on the line to make sure we made it through the pandemic.

You deserve principled, proven leadership to tackle our region's biggest challenges with real solutions instead of fear. I ask for your vote again so we can continue our progress and recovery.

## Stephanie Mora

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**Education:** Sunnydale Elementary, Sylvester Middle School, Evergreen High School**Occupation:** Homemaker, Sales Associate

**Statement:** I've proudly called Burien home for 21 years. As a mother to young children, I'm increasingly concerned with Burien's safety. I'm running for office because I feel a duty to make our home community the best it can be for all families.

It's time to restore common sense to the Burien City Council. They seem unwilling to address the legitimate concerns about neighborhood safety shared by residents and businesses. With decisions like DESC and Enhanced Service Facilities, they've made the problems worse.

The primary responsibility of the council is to ensure the safety of its residents. As a struggling young mother, I received compassionate support from this community. We can prioritize neighborhood safety in a thoughtful way while empowering those community members in need to help themselves. My personal experiences will help me to do this on council. With your vote, we can create the positive change our community needs.

Council Position No. 1

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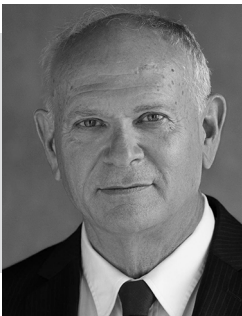
**Statement:** I've lived here in Des Moines for 24 years. This is where my wife, Kristin, and I raised our two boys. I'm running for Council to give back to our community and help build a vibrant city for all families. I will prioritize improving development downtown and the marina, creating sustainable budgeting and to improving transparency and civility on the council. Building our infrastructure, including more parking, will help attract visitors to grow our city to be a great place to raise a family.

With an extensive legal background as an Administrative Law Judge, private attorney, and City and County Prosecutor, I have the skills and experience to responsibly manage the city's budget and will ensure that our neighborhoods are safe and vibrant. Most importantly, I look forward to hearing from you – please reach out with your concerns and ideas for our city. *I humbly ask for your vote.*

Council Position No. 3

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**Education:** BA Communications, Washington State University; AAS Graphic Design, Highline College; AA General, Tacoma Community College

**Occupation:** Retired journalist, Seattle P-I; adjunct professor, Highline College; graphic designer

**Statement:** We will succeed when we have a City Council that is unafraid of *listening* to the people. True transparency requires communication and cooperation.

Seeking answers has been my career.

What will we do about the airport pollution that causes our kids to test a full year behind their peers; and shortens our lives as much as 10 years? How are we going to reduce property crime and daily assaults on our quality of life? How can we all get involved? Through 45 years of community activism, I've learned that working together is essential. It's how I helped lead the efforts to build Wootton Park, annex Woodmont/Redondo to the city, and save the Mount Rainier and Tukwila pools. As president of the Des Moines Legacy Foundation, we've improved the lives of disadvantaged kids and seniors. I want to bring that spirit to *all* our citizens. I humbly ask for your vote.

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**Education:** Sonoma State University, BA Environmental Studies and Planning

**Occupation:** ADA Compliance Officer, Sacramento Regional Transit District

**Statement:** I have lived in Washington State for eight years, including six years in Des Moines. I am running for office to further improve the safety and quality of life of the residents of the city. If elected, my top priorities include public safety enhancements, job creation paying livable wages, economic revitalization of downtown businesses and surrounding neighborhoods along with the development of the Marina.

I have worked in the public and private transportation sectors for over 31 years in leadership roles working with community members, advocacy groups, and political leaders. I have specialized in equal access and mobility options for seniors and persons with disabilities. I possess the necessary experience and skill sets to provide a strong voice for our community.

I will bring transparency, consensus building and collaboration to the council deliberations. With your vote I truly believe I can make a difference for the future of Des Moines.

## Council Position No. 5

## Traci Buxton

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**Education:** Northwest University, BA Behavioral Science, Magna Cum Laude

**Occupation:** Des Moines Councilmember, Property Management. Former: Contractor, Mental Health Professional

**Statement:** Des Moines is an incredible place to live, work, and play. As your Councilmember, I have advocated for safe and diverse neighborhoods, sustainable practices, and a thriving business community with a destination waterfront.

As your representative, I have promoted our progress on many fronts, like our Green Cities Partnership and Urban Forestry Fund, and championed Des Moines' regional leadership in public safety; strengthening our force, while implementing body cameras, a Mental Health Response Team, and DUI Court. Active and personal support of our core business district, and our waterfront and marina redevelopment, has been key in moving our city forward.

My endorsements reflect the wide diversity of our community and region, and include our police, local and regional elected officials, unions, our businesses and restaurants, and a myriad of incredible citizens. It would be a privilege to continue to serve you in upholding our quality of life.

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**Education:** University of Washington, Seattle, Social Welfare; University of Washington, Tacoma, Master of Cybersecurity and Leadership

**Occupation:** Information Technology

**Statement:** I am a husband and father who wants to ensure Des Moines' future is secure for our family and the generations to come. This is why I am running for City Council. Public safety is a priority; I will endeavor to protect our community. As a member of the Des Moines Police Foundation Board of Directors and a block watch captain I have learned communication is essential in building safe, economically vibrant, and healthy communities.

For the past ten years I have been asked to run for City Council by community members, in each instance declining. This year I have chosen to take on the challenge; addressing the problems we face requires strong leaders who are willing to form partnerships between neighborhoods, businesses, and faith communities to find solutions. Des Moines has been our home for over 15 years. I respectfully ask for your vote to serve our great community.

## Council Position No. 7

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**Education:** WSU, University of Maryland AA, US Army

**Occupation:** Buyer, Nordstrom - Deputy Mayor Des Moines

**Statement:** If you are looking for someone with honor and integrity, active in the Des Moines community, loves his city and has the life experiences required to serve on your City Council, then I would be honored to have your vote again.

Everyone knows we need a healthy business environment, a revitalized downtown, improved public safety and an enhanced waterfront. This requires leaders who hear issues, weigh opinions, and make sound, informed decisions for a sustainable future.

As your Current Des Moines Deputy Mayor, a Veteran, Former Fire Commissioner, and active volunteer, I know what it means to serve. Husband, father, and grandfather dedicated to family, friends, and neighbors. Successful businessman and motivator. A communicator who connects businesses and people, listens, and works for "all" residents. Supported by Community Leaders, Police Guild, Councilmembers and Residents who understand this city must move forward. I listen, learn, and am accountable. Vote Matt Mahoney.

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**Education:** Bachelor in Political Science, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Preschool Special Education Teacher, Bellevue School District

**Statement:** As a lifelong resident of Des Moines, I understand the things we all want for our unique and beautiful waterfront community. My work as a teacher and community advocate has prepared me for public service.

I've dedicated my career to helping students in South King County receive the resources and tools they need to be successful students. In my spare time, I give back to our community by volunteering with ESL students who live in South King county. I will provide complete transparency and accountability in all aspects of our city government and will be accountable to you, the voters. I want to prioritize creating job and career opportunities for our students and young adults so they can thrive in our economy.

I am endorsed by Congressman Adam Smith, Tacoma Mayor Victoria Woodards, State Representative Jesse Johnson, Des Moines City Council Anthony Martinelli, and Tukwila Councilmember Cynthia Delostrinos.



Council Position No. 1

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Council Position No. 3

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**Occupation:** Real Estate Broker, Keller Williams Greater Seattle  
**Statement:** We need someone committed to a future where Lake Forest Park is admired as a model for biodiversity and combating climate change. We need commitment to withstand and reverse its trajectory.  
I grew up in Shoreline, attending our shared School District. After college I joined our neighborhood association, and volunteered many hours to the community. I represented local utilities, encouraging energy efficiency, and educating the public. I became a LFP resident in 2019. My priorities are environmental ethics, building community, and low-income housing.  
I served on the Boards for Ballinger Neighborhood Association and Shoreline's Council of Neighborhoods, participated in Shoreline's Sidewalk Advisory Committee, and was Ballinger's PCO. I support: green improvements for roads and sidewalks, low-impact development, sensible density, home businesses, green innovation, diversity, parks, public waterfront access, art installations, urban forests, watersheds. Together, we can create a model environmental community to sustain future generations, I ask for your vote!

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**Education:** B.A. Architectural Studies, B.S Building Construction; University of Washington, Shorecrest, Kellogg, Lake Forest Park Elementary  
**Occupation:** Deputy Project Director Sound Transit; Previously, Director Capital Projects, UW  
**Statement:** I am running to assure that future development in Lake Forest Park is equitable, environmentally sensitive and preserves the character of our community. My priorities are health and safety, infrastructure investments for sidewalks and storm water, and diverse housing. As an experienced project director, I will work to assure our budget is transparent, fiscally responsible and addresses your needs.  
I grew up in Lake Forest Park and moved back with my young family in 2009. As an architect and member of the Lake Forest Park Planning Commission for seven years, three as chair, I listened to your concerns and helped reduce the scale of the Town Center Redevelopment Plan.  
I will bring energy, effective listening and collaborative decision-making to the council. I look forward to working with you to ensure our city council is fully responsive to the present and future needs of our community. I ask for your vote.

## Council Position No. 5

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**Education:** University of Washington: Ph.D., Geological Sciences.  
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**Occupation:** Physics Instructor, North Seattle College; Board Member, Shorelake Arts

**Statement:** Our city faces challenges that require council leadership with a diversity of knowledge and life experiences. To mitigate climate change, we must find ways that allow for growth without increasing our carbon footprint, and while preserving the environmental values we all share. We can create affordable housing in order to be an inclusive community, and one our children will still be able to call their home. Streets, sidewalks, and parks should be safe, accessible, and equitable. As a 17-year resident of LFP, I have volunteered in our Water District and schools, monitored the health of our streams with Streamkeepers, and helped bring climate awareness to our town. I've also worked to inform our community on current issues writing Shoreline Area News articles covering council meetings. I am passionate about representing the voice of our residents and will work hard to do so in council position 5. For more visit <https://tracyforlfp5.com>.

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Applied Learning and Development, University of Texas-Austin; Master's in Education, Northern Arizona University

**Occupation:** Non-profit Management in Museums

**Statement:** I've lived nearly 10 years in LFP. I value community service and have served the last three years as a LFP Planning Commissioner, currently as Chair. I've listened to the concerns of our citizens. I've collaborated with fellow commissioners, city council and staff to tackle significant issues including code revisions for the development of the Town Center and Sound Transit's parking garage. I'm now leading the planning commission to increase the diversity of housing in LFP to meet the needs of our current citizens. I'm a leader in non-profit and education fields. And, I have significant experience leading projects benefiting our K-12 communities and working with state agencies and legislators, universities, businesses and granting agencies to advance shared goals for improving communities. I'd like to continue my efforts, as your Council Member, to ensure LFP remains a vibrant community focused on its sustainability and quality of life. <https://www.maddy4lfp.com>

## Council Position No. 7

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**Education:** Rutgers University - BA in Chemistry; Cardiff University - PhD in Chemistry

**Occupation:** Associate Teaching Professor, University of Washington Chemistry Department

**Statement:** We moved to Lake Forest Park to enjoy the natural environment and community. I am running for city council in order to maintain Lake Forest Park as a welcoming, environmentally-friendly city. I care deeply about our environment and am committed to maintaining our tree canopy and expanding it where it is sparse. I support prudent financial management and thoughtful community investments including sidewalks near schools. I am excited to work with the community in developing our new lakefront park and providing all residents with recreational access to Lake Washington. As an avid transit user, I am eager to work with Sound Transit and Metro to ensure that our transit network evolves in a way that serves LFP residents. I am committed to transparent government and will work to improve community engagement.

**Endorsements:** State Representative Pollet, LFP Councilmembers Kassover and Phillips, King County Democrats, 46th District Democrats, Northshore Firefighters Local 2459

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**Education:** B.A., American University; M.B.A., Wake Forest University

**Occupation:** VP of Product Management

**Statement:** With accelerating growth in the region, our city is at an inflection point. I want to protect the unique character of Lake Forest Park that inspired my wife and me to raise our family here. It's been a wonderful experience of finding community, enjoying green spaces, Farmers Market visits, coaching basketball games, umpiring for Little League, and volunteering at PTA events.

If elected, I will bring a *common-sense, fiscally responsible* approach to solving complex problems. I will work to protect our tree canopy and watershed, enhance park and bike access, and add more sidewalks. I will support more housing options through *targeted* zoning enhancements.

I have significant experience at high-growth technology companies navigating change and delivering solutions with global teams. Every day I'll bring that same positive, action-oriented, and collaborative attitude to our Lake Forest Park community and city council. *Let's move LFP forward together!*

## Council Position No. 2

### Susan J. West

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, University of Washington; Master's in Public Relations/Political Management, George Washington University

**Occupation:** Communications Manager, Sr. Business Planner, Amazon

**Statement:** I am honored to serve as a Normandy Park City Council Member. I was born and raised in Normandy Park and attended Marvista Elementary, Pacific Middle School and Mt. Rainier High School. I care deeply about Normandy Park's economic, financial and environmental health, its community spirit, and its future. I will continue to do what I can to help Normandy Park plan a positive future that preserves what we love about the community, while looking for creative and positive ways to help it flourish. I hope you will join me in volunteering for Normandy Park committees, events, programs and projects. The opportunities are endless! Together, we can help our community stay healthy and strong, while having fun, getting to know our neighbors, and introducing our community to others around the region. Thank you again for the opportunity to be on the Normandy Park City Council. See you around the Park!

## Council Position No. 4

### Mike Bishoff

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**Occupation:** Management Consultant

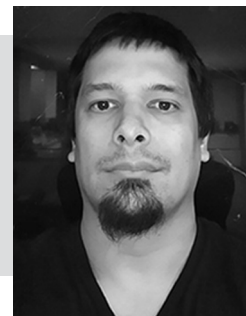
**Statement:** Hello Normandy Park Neighbors!

My top priority is our city's long-term financial health and my daily focus includes the ongoing budget challenges we face as a small city. With limited income, we need to be constantly vigilant about the balance of revenue along with the high-quality services we expect from our beautiful city on the sound. As a "no-new-tax" advocate, I believe we can *produce effective economic development revenue streams* to develop and maintain a healthy financial outlook.

My family and I have lived in Normandy Park for twelve years, actively parenting in K-12, starting with Marvista and now Mt. Rainier High School. As a result, I'm invested deeply in our shared city interests. Most notably, our fiscal, environmental, and social needs. I will continue supporting a culture that keeps us healthy and welcomes *all*! I remain dedicated to our community interests and am very grateful for your continued support.

### Craig Daly

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**Education:** Highline College (Currently Attending) Criminal Justice Administration

**Occupation:** Currently Unemployed, In School for Criminal Justice Administration

**Statement:** Hello Citizens of Normandy Park,

My name is Craig Daly. This is my second time running for a city council position.

My aim for a city council position isn't for me to push my agenda through, it is to have the people heard. I took and completed a human resources class because I value these ethics. I look to serve you and make sure you are heard. I believe a strong council starts with listening and building trust. Transparency is something I have always fought for and something we need to bring back. Help us get there again by telling the city council we want a change. I am here to listen and work for you. This is why I am running. Thank you. Craig Daly.

## Council Position No. 6

## Eric Zimmerman

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**Education:** Master's degree in Organizational Leadership, Gonzaga University. Bachelor's degree, Seattle Pacific University.

**Occupation:** Global non-profit community development

**Statement:** I love Normandy Park. Together as families, friends, and neighbors we have built a welcoming, peaceful, and beautiful place to live. As your representative on City Council, I will always serve and listen to you first, and I will help ensure our Council's work and decisions are transparent and beneficial for our community.

As your representative at SeaTac Airport's StART roundtable, I have helped greatly reduce aircraft noise at night and have built airline, airport, and FAA support for Normandy Park community priorities. As your Planning Commissioner I have worked to make good decisions about our city's laws for how we use our land and shared spaces, protecting the distinctiveness of our city. Since 2003 my professional career has focused on helping small communities around the world solve problems and meet their goals. My service is all part of one pursuit: seeing communities succeed. Thank you for your trust.

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## Council Position No. 1

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

**Occupation:** Current Renton Planning Commissioner; Business Owner and President, Sandler Training

**Statement:** More than ever, we need leaders with a common-sense approach, strong resolve, and an innate sense of fairness, honesty, and responsibility. As a Renton Planning Commissioner and small business owner, my experience will help me address our community's biggest challenges and deliver results. My priorities are to keep Renton as a prosperous city, a community of opportunity, a safe place to live, and a strong regional player.

We must ensure that Renton's growth positively impacts each individual and family. Coming out of the pandemic, it's paramount that we make common-sense decisions to ensure a strong economic recovery, bring in more strong businesses and high-quality jobs, reduce crime and homelessness, increase affordability, and ensure inclusion and opportunities for all Renton residents.

**Endorsements:** Mayor Armondo Pavone, Fmr. Mayor Denis Law, Renton Councilmembers Randy Corman, Ruth Perez, and Valerie O'Halloran; Fmr. Councilmembers Don Persson and Marcie Palmer; SEIU 775, and many more.

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**Education:** Double Major Business and Computer Information Science; Troy University, 1996 – 2000

**Occupation:** Deputy Chief Technology Officer King, County, WA

**Statement:** As we recover from the pandemic, we need leaders who will ensure Renton comes back stronger than we were before. An active volunteer in our community, I also bring 20 years of experience as an innovator and business leader with a background in aerospace, software development, and local government.

I will prioritize policies that support our local economy, keep housing affordable and maintain our community, celebrate our beauty and diversity, and maintain safety for all -- especially seniors and other vulnerable populations.

When my wife and I moved here over 20 years ago, we specifically chose Renton because of all the opportunities this city represented to us. I still believe in the opportunity that Renton represents, and with your support, I will work every day to ensure the people of our city have the ability to thrive. *Endorsed by Councilmember Ed Prince and many other local leaders and organizations.*

## Council Position No. 2

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**Occupation:** Educator at Seattle University, Former Caseworker for King County

**Statement:** I am running for City Council because we need decisive leadership to ensure Renton is a place where everyone has an opportunity to thrive.

As someone who was born and raised in Renton, and experienced our region's growth and change, I know we need to be proactive in responding to our community's needs. We must address the housing crisis and infrastructure concerns, support our small businesses, and work to ensure everyone feels safe. I will listen to what our community wants, and actively seek input from those I hope to serve.

My partner and I hope to raise a family here. We see so much opportunity, and I want to continue to give back to the city that raised me. With your vote, we can work together to make sure Renton remains a place where everyone has the opportunity to achieve their dreams. Sole endorsement by the King County Democrats.

## Ben Johnson

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**Education:** Bellevue College - Background in Physics and Distributed Computing

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner - IT Support Zap Clean Energy Fusion

**Statement:** Twenty years ago, our family chose Renton as our hometown to raise our three young boys. I've served on the City of Renton Airport Committee, worked successfully to save our Renton Library, supported the Renton Street Trees initiative, and run a small business through difficult times.

I believe in working collaboratively for practical solutions. Together, we can improve public safety to reduce criminal activity; promote job and neighborhood growth that enhances Renton's character; support our parks, trails, and public art; and make sure Renton gets our fair share of State and Sound Transit funding. I'm committed to listening, understanding, and ensuring that everyone feels safe and is free from discrimination based on any aspect of who we are.

**Endorsements:** Renton Mayor Armondo Pavone, Former Renton Mayors Denis Law and Kathy Keolker; current and former Renton Council Members Randy Corman, Don Persson, Valerie O'Halloran, Marcie Palmer, Carol Ann Witschi, and more.

## Council Position No. 6

## Ruth Perez

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**Education:** Master's Degree in Business Administration, Bachelor's Degree in Communication Science, Advance Certificate of Municipal Leadership.

**Occupation:** Renton City Councilmember and small business owner.

**Statement:** Seven years ago I was honored to be elected to the Renton City Council. As your councilmember, I have worked hard to ensure Renton remains a wonderful place to live, work, and raise a family.

As we work to rebuild our economy after the pandemic, I am committed to leading Renton into our next chapter building a collaborative environment. Our city has been blessed with tremendous energy and prosperity but now it faces many challenges requiring strong leadership and commitment to develop smart policy solutions. As a Renton City Councilmember, I will continue prioritizing on issues that truly impact our residents' everyday lives - working to ensure a strong economy, bringing more jobs, reducing crime and homelessness, supporting inclusive policies, tackling our city's transportation and traffic issues, expanding access to housing, and balancing a sustainable municipal budget.

I appreciate your continued support.

## Municipal Court Judge Position No. 1

### Jessica Giner

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts (cum laude), Seattle University; Juris Doctorate, Seattle University School of Law

**Occupation:** City of Renton Municipal Court Judge

**Statement:** Judge Giner was appointed by Mayor Pavone and the members of Renton's City Council to serve as Municipal Court Judge in March 2021. With 15 years of balanced legal experience and prior service as a Judge Pro Tem in a dozen courts, Judge Giner is a knowledgeable and equitable decision-maker and has been rated *"Exceptionally Well Qualified"* by the King County Bar Association. She has also received high ratings from six minority bar associations.

A native of South King County, Judge Giner is active with Renton's Rotary and Chamber of Commerce and coaches a high school Mock Trial team.

Endorsed by: National Women's Political Caucus of Washington; Aerospace Machinists (IAM 751); King County Democrats; 11th, 33rd, 37th, and 41st District Democrats; Democrats for Diversity & Inclusion; Mayor Armondo Pavone; Former Mayor Denis Law; Retired Judge Charles Delaurenti and more than 40 area judges

## Municipal Court Judge Position No. 2

### Kara Murphy Richards

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**Occupation:** Renton Municipal Court, Presiding Judge

**Statement:** Judge Kara Murphy Richards looks forward to continuing to serve the citizens of Renton as the court's Presiding Judge. Appointed in 2019 by Mayor Law (Ret.) to start Renton's first Community Court, Kara has a public service career that spans more than 30 years. She has served as a Social Worker, Probation Officer, Domestic Violence Victim Advocate, Prosecuting Attorney and Judge Pro Tem. Prior to her appointment, Kara's eleven years of service in Renton illustrate her commitment to this community.

Kara and her husband Craig live in the Renton Highlands. They have six adult children, five grandkids and two beloved dogs. A former board member for Mary's Place and Athletes for Kids, Kara also spent time in Renton Rotary, coaching Mock Trial at a local high school, teaching Divorce Care, supporting local programs for homeless women and children and doing public speaking on a variety of topics.

## Council Position No. 2

## Jake Simpson

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**Education:** Green River Community College**Occupation:** Community Organizer, UNITE HERE Local 8

**Statement:** My wife and I are raising our 5 year old daughter in SeaTac - through our public schools, our neighborhoods, and our parks. Everyday we see streets without street lights or sidewalks, small businesses being priced out, housing costs becoming unaffordable, increasing airport noise and air pollution; this needs to change.

My priorities are keeping homes affordable so people aren't priced out; building well-maintained roads and working street lights so every neighborhood is safely lit and has a sidewalk; supporting our small businesses to ensure they have the resources and staff to recover after the pandemic; and strong oversight for every tax dollar.

I am proud to be endorsed by Congressman Adam Smith, King County Councilmembers Dave Upthegrove and Girmay Zahilay, Port Commissioner Sam Cho, SeaTac City Councilmembers Takele Gobena and Senayet Negusse, Pacific Northwest IronWorkers, SeaTac Teachers, and SeaTac Firefighters. I'd be honored to earn your vote.

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**Education:** Tyee H.S., Highline College, The Evergreen State College, UCLA Professional Certificate, SeaTac Community Leadership Academy**Occupation:** Councilmember, litigation support & administration services, & machinery services, Notary

**Statement:** Having twice served on the SeaTac City Council and as Vice Chair of SeaTac's Planning Commission, I am seeking re-election as Councilmember to continue the City's good work and services.

While experiencing the greatest COVID-related financial impact in the state, SeaTac balanced its budget without decreasing our high level of compassionate services. We did this without raising taxes, particularly on our most vulnerable, or laying off valued and necessary City staff. By any measure of success, SeaTac is one of the best-run cities in the State and provides more support to the poorest among us than many other Washington cities combined. I am proud to have been part of this success.

On Council, I will continue to advocate for public safety, equity, livability, sustainable balanced budgets, affordable work-force housing and a mutually beneficial relationship with SeaTac Airport, our primary economic engine. Let's continue fair, responsible & competent leadership.

## Council Position No. 4

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**Education:** Certified Crime Prevention Advisor, BS from Lafole College, and Leadership Certificate from Washington LeadingAge Institute**Occupation:** Program Manager, Interpreter at the KC Municipal Court, Rotarian

**Statement:** I am running for City Council because I want SeaTac to prosper after COVID-19. SeaTac is the best place to live, work and raise a family as I did. We deserve local government that reflects our values. We can prevent crime and have safer neighborhoods by strengthening the relationship between police and community. We should have walkable neighborhoods and smarter traffic control. As a human services program manager, I believe we can also have expanded affordable housing options with childcare, technology centers, and senior services without raising taxes.

If elected, SeaTac City Hall will put people first, invest in our community, listen to our residents, and celebrate our diversity. I humbly ask you for your vote.

Endorsed by: Lieutenant Governor Denny Heck, Congressman Adam Smith, Representative Mia Gregerson, KC Councilmember Dave Upthegrove, City Councilmembers Gobena and Negusse, KC Democrats, MLK Labor, Working Families Party, Firefighters Local 1747, WEA/HEA, SEIU 1199NW

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**Education:** Association of Washington Cities Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership; George Washington University; Renton Technical College**Occupation:** Councilmember; Senior Technical Product Manager at T-Mobile, US.

**Statement:** It has been my honor to serve on the SeaTac City Council these past four years. I am a *non-partisan*, independent candidate taking the entire city population into consideration, striving to achieve decisions that are unbiased and reflect a well-balanced representation of *all* our community members.

I will continue to seek out and support effective solutions that address the challenges our community faces during this pandemic recovery, increase diverse and affordable housing options, and ensuring that our residents *never* experience essential human service needs going unmet.

I'll continue advocating for prudent financial decisions to further improve our roads, sidewalks, and expanding our parks. I'll continue working hard delivering high-quality services, maintaining public safety and justice, seeking solutions for the unhoused, and elevating the less fortunate among us. And I understand it requires partnership and cooperation among the council to achieve results. I'd appreciate your vote to continue delivering outstanding improvements!



## Council Position No. 6

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**Education:** AA, Bellevue College; BA, Seattle University; MSW, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Social Worker, Highline Public Schools

**Statement:** *As a school social worker for 5 years and an active community member of SeaTac for 14, I am committed to using current resources, funding and partnerships to improve the lives of our most vulnerable residents as well as ensuring the voices of all are heard and represented. I worked in city government for 8.5 years where I managed grants and contracts; supervised staff and interns; and collaborated closely with King County, Federal agencies, and local non-profits. I have also brought programs and funding sources to the schools I serve, addressing gaps for those in need.*

*Given my background and knowledge, I will bring expertise to our city government that will work collaboratively across the board.*

Endorsed by: State Representative Mia Gregerson, SeaTac Council Members Senayet Negusse and Takele Gobena, Working Families Party, Highline Education Association, Teamsters Joint Council. 28, King County Democrats, Congressman Adam Smith, and 33rd LD Democrats.

## Pam Fernald

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**Education:** Foster HS, Highline College, ongoing learning

**Occupation:** Retired/ Boeing 38 yrs - Systems Analyst/Certified Software Test Engineer

**Statement:** *As an incumbent, I will continue my long record of service, common sense and integrity; remain accessible to all; continue championing safety/crime prevention to secure a clean, safe, livable SeaTac; remain an advocate for sensible stewardship of tax dollars, fostering greater fiscal responsibility/transparency. I will advocate for senior citizens, whose hard work built this city, and for children, who are our future. I strongly believe that SeaTac residents and businesses deserve an ethical council committed to them only--not partisan organizations / outside special interest groups.*

*I have a broad record of civic/city involvement including: co-founder/co-chair of Neighbors Without Border Action Committee, Block Watch Captain, NNO Host, graduate of Citizen's Police Academies, Citizen Leadership Academy, CERT. Current Chair: Public Safety and Justice; Tree Advisory Board; Sidewalk Committee; past Deputy Mayor.*

*I respectfully request your vote so that I may continue working for all who call SeaTac home.*



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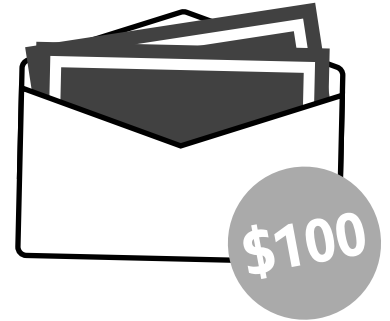


# Have you used your Democracy Vouchers?

**There's still time to assign your vouchers!**

## **What is the Democracy Voucher Program?**

All registered voters in Seattle and those who applied for the program receive four \$25 Democracy Vouchers they can use to donate to participating candidates running for mayor, city council, or city attorney for the 2021 City of Seattle elections.



## **Where can I find the list of participating candidates?**

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# Seattle/King County VIDEO VOTERS' GUIDE

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## Mayor

## Bruce Harrell

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**Education:** Seattle Public School graduate (and parent); Garfield High (Valedictorian); UW, BA and Law School

**Occupation:** Attorney representing workers, small business; City Council (2007-2019)

**Statement:** The people of Seattle deserve effective, inclusive leadership: A Mayor who makes no excuses and unifies our city to address urgent needs. With your vote, I'll be Seattle's second Black and first Asian American Mayor. My father was among the first Black, union linemen at City Light, my Japanese mother cruelly incarcerated during WWII. The struggle for equity and justice echo in my family, informing my legal career representing workers and small businesses, and public service fighting for a Seattle where all can thrive.

*The homelessness crisis is our first priority.* Inaction and finger-pointing is not only frustrating—it's inhumane. My plan embraces the Compassion Seattle approach with a minimum \$100 million in federal relief funds for *immediate* housing and individualized, wraparound services, while cleaning up parks, school properties, and sidewalks. Progress will be public and accountable.

*We'll unite around economic recovery for all.* I've visited neighborhood small businesses citywide, and am committed to helping employers *and* workers. I'll establish a "Seattle Jobs Center" connecting people to careers, expand childcare and healthcare access, and build housing and transit so working people and young families can call our city home. I passed Seattle's \$15 minimum wage—a commitment to fairness and opportunity rooted in my family's experience.

*I'll improve public safety and build trust in our police,* with a personal commitment to culture change and hiring additional officers. I sponsored Seattle's first anti-bias police law and championed body cameras. Let's improve policing—not threaten defunding—and keep *all* communities safe.

**Endorsements:** "Harrell's proven consensus-building ability isn't just a comfort. It's a necessity." – *Seattle Times*; former Governor Locke; former Mayors Rice, Uhlman; Congressmembers Smith, Strickland; State Senators Carlyle, Pedersen, Salomon; State Representatives Tomiko Santos, Ryu, Hackney; Democrats for Diversity and Inclusion; AFSCME Council 2, ATU 587 (Metro), CWA 7800, construction trades; more!

## M. Lorena González

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**Education:** J.D. Seattle University, 2005. B.A. Washington State University, 1999. A.A. Yakima Valley Community College, 1997.

**Occupation:** Civil rights attorney and Seattle City Council President

**Statement:** The gap between the rich and the rest of us makes living in Seattle too hard for too many. Housing and rent are too expensive. Wages aren't keeping up with rising costs. Working families suffer when our city doesn't live up to its potential. We need to make big corporations finally pay their fair share so we can solve our most urgent problems.

I'm running for Mayor to bring Seattle together to build a city of safe, livable neighborhoods that all have affordable childcare, vibrant public schools, parks and multi-modal transit options, where essential services are available to all within a 15-minute walk or bike ride to reduce carbon emissions.

I'm a proud first-generation American who started working as a migrant farm worker at eight years old and worked three jobs to get myself from community college through law school. As a civil rights attorney, I won cases for victims of sexual assault, wage theft, discrimination, elder abuse, and police misconduct.

We will solve homelessness by addressing the root causes: poverty and income inequality. My plan rapidly builds affordable housing while providing services to help the unhoused restart their lives. I will demilitarize the police, hold bad cops accountable and expand the civilian community service officer program to improve public safety. From bringing the Council together to enact sensible gun safety laws to helping Seattle's small businesses and families survive the pandemic, I'm a proven progressive with a record I'll build on as Mayor.

That's why I've earned the endorsements of progressive Democrats like Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal, Senator Bernie Sanders and more, labor unions representing tens of thousands of essential workers, and small business owners who bring vitality to our neighborhoods. If we dream big and work hard, we can build a Seattle that works for all of us.

## City Attorney

## Nicole Thomas-Kennedy

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**Education:** J.D. Seattle University School of Law, B.A. in Anthropology University of Washington

**Occupation:** Managing Attorney at NTK Law, Former King County Public Defender

**Statement:** As a public defender, I saw Seattle's most marginalized repeatedly targeted by the City Attorney's office. The City Attorney's office only prosecutes low-level misdemeanors, and 90% of those chosen for prosecution are poor enough to qualify for a public defender.

The US leads the world in incarceration, yet we have not achieved safety and stability. Despite decades of reform, misdemeanor prosecutions in Seattle still disproportionately target BIPOC and the disabled, and they cost this City millions every year. These prosecutions do not address the root of Seattle's problems and they destabilize people already living on the edge. Nothing about prosecuting someone for stealing a sandwich makes them less hungry. Nothing about jailing a person in crisis encourages mental health. We need to face the fact that we cannot prosecute our way out of every problem. We must instead use these resources to meet basic human needs, build new systems of accountability, and create healthy communities that prevent harm from occurring instead of responding with expensive retribution.

I will focus on litigation that protects our health, safety, and environment. I will expand the fight for tenant and worker rights, and for progressive taxation and land use policy. I will hold the fossil fuel companies that have created our climate crisis accountable. I will stop wasting resources on lawyers when public health and education is what is needed.

We can't keep wasting money on a strategy that does not work. Seattle deserves a candidate that has the knowledge and will to implement solutions to our city's most critical problems, built on a foundation of justice and equity for all.

## Ann Davison

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**Education:** B.A. Sociology, Baylor University; J.D., Willamette University College of Law

**Occupation:** attorney, arbitrator, teacher, mom

**Statement:** I'm running for City Attorney because our city is failing to meet the needs of the most vulnerable among us as well as the basic functions of protecting public health and safety.

The people of Seattle have suffered enough from growing crime and dysfunction. Our laws exist to help those who are most vulnerable while ensuring a safe home for our community. When the people's courthouse is not safe, when the sheriff tells employees to stay home because it's too dangerous to work, we need better leadership.

The City Attorney represents our crime victims and is a critical link to public safety, downtown and in our neighborhoods, deciding when to prosecute many types of criminal activity. Defense attorneys represent someone accused of a crime. When the prosecutor acts as a second defense attorney there is no justice for victims, who must be put in the center. For too long we have not had competent leadership that puts the public health and safety first. I will be *proactive*, not reactive. I will be a collaborative leader bringing *compassion*, pursuing *progress*. I will work with addiction and mental health providers to bring real compassion and collaboration to our city and region. Only by fixing this critical link of public health and safety, will we begin to see improvement in the livability of our city.

With your vote, we can create a safer, more compassionate city for all of us.

**Endorsements:** Seattle Times; Governor Dan Evans (former); Chris Bayley, King County Prosecuting Attorney (former); Ed McKenna, Seattle Municipal Presiding Judge (retired); Pastor Harvey Drake; community leaders Victoria Beach and James Fuda. More at [www.neighborsforann.com/endorsements](http://www.neighborsforann.com/endorsements).

## Council Position No. 8

## Teresa Mosqueda

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**Education:** Masters in Public Administration, focus in health policy, from TESC, BA from University of Washington

**Occupation:** City Councilmember; former Labor leader, Children's advocate, public health policy

**Statement:** We have an opportunity to come together, roll-up our sleeves, and build a stronger, more equitable Seattle. I've dedicated my career to building coalitions and getting results by bringing diverse perspectives to the table, and passing progressive policy to challenge the status quo.

In my first term, together we passed progressive policies to make Seattle more equitable and just. I led the broad coalition to pass JumpStart Progressive revenue creating over \$214 million annually for housing, small businesses, equitable development, and Green New Deal investments. I passed wage & leave standards for ap-based drivers, workplace & healthcare protections for hotel workers, hazard pay for grocery workers, and the nationally acclaimed Domestic Workers Bill of Rights. I passed energy efficient standards for City buildings, and funding for more affordable housing in Seattle, to address carbon emissions and climate injustice.

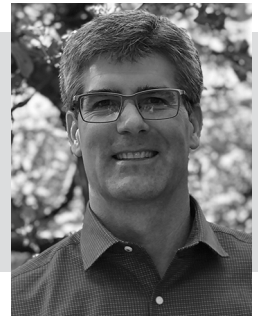
After earning 56% of the primary election vote, I hope to have your support again to return to help small businesses, workers, and our environment to improve the health & stability of Seattlites. I will fight for more affordable housing across our city, police accountability, upstream investments in homelessness prevention strategies, and for workers and small businesses simultaneously to create a more equitable Seattle.

**Endorsements:** Rep. Jayapal, Senator Bernie Sanders, Attorney General Ferguson, every Seattle Democratic Legislative District, KC Democrats, MLK Labor, all SEIU locals, UFCW 21, Seattle Building Trades, Teamsters, Alliance for Gun Responsibility, Vote Mama, Latino Progress, Latino PAC, Emily's List, WA Conservation Voters, Sierra Club, NW Women's Political Caucus, dozens more!

*It's an honor to serve you in these challenging times. As a lifelong advocate for children and working people, the daughter of educators, wife, and new mom of a beautiful babé, I am committed to building a future Seattle where all can be housed, healthy & safe.*

## Kenneth Wilson

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**Education:** BSCE with distinction and Mathematics Minor, UNR; MS in Civil Engineering, UW; PM Certificate, UW

**Occupation:** General Manager/Owner, Integrity Structural Engineering, PLLC

**Statement:** We all feel the Council is leading in the wrong direction. Incumbent politicians have yet to find solutions for increasing homelessness, failed roads and infrastructure, and closed businesses. Most lack training in understanding day-to-day operations required for a thriving city. I am asking for your vote to bring plain speaking, common-sense solutions to replace current mismanagement.

I am a 28-year resident of Seattle, my wife and two daughters were born here. I am a licensed bridge structural engineer (PE SE) owning a Seattle small business since 2005. Current work includes the Northgate truss bridge over I-5 and pedestrian bridges over SR520 near Microsoft. As *your* council member, I will lean heavily on my analytical, engineering, and infrastructure background to bring rational decision making and progress control follow up to Council actions.

Frustrated, I watched as downtown became lawless and boarded, 911 response times increased from lack of staffing, a good police chief was forced to resign, and West Seattle shut off from the rest of the city due to poor maintenance and continual mistakes in administration of valuable infrastructure. Our homeless challenges became extreme and unaided, while parks and schools were made inaccessible as living space sanctuaries for addiction and mental problems. With each new development we lost critical canopy/old trees along with affordable rental housing, replaced five-to-one by unaffordable homes stressing existing sewers.

Seattle needs a council member trained in infrastructure to ensure the city is improved, supported, and made better for everyone. West Seattle cannot continue to have access blocked. Homelessness must be addressed immediately. Most importantly, all people must be dealt with compassionately but consistently in justice commensurate with the problem.

I am proud to live in Seattle. I have the background needed to help bring back the city we love. I would appreciate *your* vote!



## Council Position No. 9

## Nikkita Oliver

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**Education:** BA, Seattle Pacific University; JD, UW School of Law; M. Ed, UW College of Education

**Occupation:** Non-Profit Executive Director; Attorney; Adjunct Professor; Community Organizer; Writer

**Statement:** In the last year, Seattle has had a reckoning with racial inequality, a battle with a devastating pandemic, and is facing a climate catastrophe. Will we continue to rely on policies of the past -- many of which brought us to this point -- or is it time for a fresh perspective rooted in community care?

We deserve policy solutions that are commensurate with the crises we are facing. As an attorney who has supported clients through school exclusion, eviction, and anti-discrimination cases and as a community organizer, Nikkita Oliver (they/them) understands that the transformative solutions we need come from those most impacted by these crises.

A vote for Nikkita is a vote for a city that embodies racial and economic justice. A city with labor protections for freelancers, and prevailing wages and healthcare for workers. A city that enacts progressive revenue to build housing for all and meet the basic needs of residents. A city that takes bold action to address the climate crisis; including working towards free transit, reforming zoning codes that restrict our supply of affordable housing and a Seattle Green New Deal with a just transition. A city with a public health and safety system that provides quality care and support for everyone.

*Together, we can build the city we say we are - a city where all are welcome and none are excluded.*

The Nikkita for Nine campaign is endorsed by the MLK Labor Council; The Stranger; The Urbanist; Sunrise Movement Seattle; Seattle Education Association; UFCW 21; SEIU 6; SEIU 925; SEIU 1199NW; Unite HERE! Local 8; 11th LD Democrats; Seattle City Councilmembers Tammy Morales and Teresa Mosqueda and former Councilmember Mike O'Brien; King County Councilmember Girmay Zahilay and former Councilmember Larry Gossett; Washington State Representative Kirsten Harris-Talley; and Washington State Senator Rebecca Saldaña.

## Sara Nelson

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**Education:** BA in Political Science, University of California; PhD in Cultural Anthropology, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Co-Founder/Owner, Fremont Brewing

**Statement:** Seattle, I love you, but we need to talk. This is one of the most beautiful and vibrant cities in the world, but City Council's mismanagement is making it unlivable for many residents. From the housing and homelessness crises to public safety and other basic services, the City hasn't delivered and our most vulnerable have been left behind. *It's time for a City Council that keeps its promises!*

As your Councilmember, I will focus on: 1) *Addressing Our Homelessness Crisis* through successful policies other cities have implemented to provide housing and mental health and addiction services; 2) *Delivering Basic Services* like safe, clean public spaces and well-maintained bridges; and 3) *Reforming the Police while Keeping Communities Safe*. I support community-driven police reform measures but I do not support abolishing the police. Everyone should be able to count on a fast, fair, and effective response when they call 911.

I am the best candidate to deliver an equitable recovery as we emerge from this pandemic. I co-founded Fremont Brewing, a neighborhood business known for doing the right thing – for our employees, our community, and the environment. As a former Council Aide, I helped pass landmark legislation on recycling, increased public transportation, and added affordable housing. I'll bring the same balanced, pragmatic approach to City Council.

Voters have a clear choice this election to get Seattle back on track. It starts with electing the City Council candidate who will be *held accountable for measurable results*. We can make Seattle a safe and livable city – for everyone!

*Endorsements include: Seattle Fire Fighters Union; Seattle Times; Building and Construction Trades Unions; Ironworkers; Plumbers and Pipefitters; Sen. Reuven Carlyle (D); Former Rep. Gael Tarleton (D); police reform leaders Rev. Harriett Walden and Victoria Beach; Denis Hayes and other environmental leaders; and more.*

## Council Position No. 1

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**Occupation:** Clinical Account Executive, First Choice Health

**Statement:** I am running for City Council because I want to be the first councilor that residents in Shoreline think of when they want their voices to matter. To foster voter equity, I am the only Shoreline council candidate limiting campaign contributions to \$500 in aggregate rather than the allowable \$2,000.

As a community organizer, I successfully initiated and shepherded Shoreline's recent purchase of a private lot in Westminster Triangle to be developed into a public park. I have chaired and fundraised effectively for the Westminster Triangle Neighborhood Association for over ten years and championed local initiatives, including Shoreline's Parks ballot measure. For over twenty-five years as a behavioral health clinician, I have helped King County's most vulnerable citizens, including the elderly, adults with disabilities, the houseless, and foster children.

My education, professional, and volunteer experiences have prepared me to be a councilor that Shoreline residents will proudly call their own.

## Council Position No. 3

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Chemical Engineering, University of Washington; Project Management Professional (PMP), PMI Institute

**Occupation:** Engineer, Project and Facilities Manager for industrial and commercial facilities

**Statement:** As Shoreline grows, I will work to include a diversity of voices in shaping our future. I will apply an equity lens to the needs of those who live and work in Shoreline to ensure that resources are available to all residential and business communities. I will encourage investments to improve infrastructure so that all neighborhoods have access to basic services. I support park improvements, bike and sidewalk connections, trees, and efforts to reduce our climate footprint.

During my 25 years in Shoreline, I have been an active volunteer and a public official. I am the Shoreline Planning Commission Chair and served as a Ronald Wastewater Commissioner. I am endorsed by Shoreline leaders, environmental organizations, district and King County democrats. Specific endorsements at [www.electlauramork.com](http://www.electlauramork.com).

I pledge to work to continue moving Shoreline forward as a great, sustainable place to live and do business. I would appreciate your vote.

## Council Position No. 5

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**Education:** Bachelor of Fine Arts, University of Ghana; Master's in Business Administration, Concordia University

**Occupation:** Finance Manager, EPOBS Solutions; Consultant, B-Construction UG.

**Statement:** I'm running to give my neighbors the opportunities that Shoreline has provided me and to give voice to the overlooked and underserved. I've been blessed to live the American Dream here in Shoreline. I'm inspired by my family and driven by a commitment to public service with honor and integrity.

Our greatest responsibility is to build a better city for the next generation. As a community leader, husband, and father of three, I ask myself: how can we accommodate growth, while honoring our environment and the needs of our community? Shoreline's decision-making process should be easier to understand so that everyone can provide input.

I pledge to listen to your concerns, research the issues, be a consensus-builder, and make decisions that benefit the people and businesses of Shoreline. Senator Salomon, Representative Davis, Deputy Mayor Scully, Councilmembers Chang, McConnell, and Robertson, and many of your friends and neighbors.

## Council Position No. 7

## Christopher Roberts

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**Education:** PhD, University of Washington; BA, Willamette University

**Occupation:** Instructor, Pierce College; Member, Shoreline City Council

**Statement:** I'm honored to serve as your councilmember and represent a city dedicated to the important task of promoting equity and improving the lives of all residents.

My friend and former Shoreline resident, John Behrens, recently shared, "one of the best things about Chris is his willingness to listen. He values the input of everyone." I will work with you to complete the sidewalks surrounding Aldercrest, Echo Lake, and Parkwood schools, finish pedestrian improvements to our light rail stations, and lead by promoting green building and advancing policies within our city's climate action plan.

My colleagues selected me to serve as your mayor in 2016. My peers appointed me to serve on the Puget Sound Regional Council Executive Board and the National League of Cities (NLC) Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Committee. I founded the Indigenous Municipal Officials network with NLC. I would greatly appreciate your vote.



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## Council Position No. 1

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**Education:** Central Washington University BS Engineering, Journeyman Lineman

**Occupation:** Lineworker, Tukwila Civil Service Commissioner and COPCAB Chairman, Business Owner

**Statement:** Our growing diverse city needs accountable, community-focused leadership. A leader who understands the value of hard work, has life experience, knows the challenges facing working families, and strives to make Tukwila a welcoming place for all to reach their potential.

As a first generation American to my immigrant mother, being homeless, moving multiple times as a kid, a bright future was not always clear. My life journey taught me to work hard, stay focused, and always look to help others. I'll lead in public safety improvements, be a responsible steward of our tax dollars, address homelessness, invest in public safety, law enforcement, seniors and youth programs, and infrastructure.

I'm proud to be the candidate endorsed by the *Tukwila Firefighters; MLK Labor Council; SEIU childcare workers; UFCW grocery and healthcare workers; Teamsters; Building Trades; Aerospace Machinists; Executive Dow Constantine, Councilmembers Cynthia Delostrinos Johnson and Zak Idan; community leaders; and more!*

## Armen Papyan

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**Education:** Bachelor's (Politics, Philosophy & Economics), University of Washington-Tacoma; Master's in Public Administration (candidate), Seattle University

**Occupation:** Senior Administrative Assistant, Seattle University

**Statement:** As a first generation American and child of Armenian-Ukrainian refugees, I was raised in this wonderful city and am proud to call it home. As a neighbor, volunteer, and community leader, I have seen Tukwila change over time and am committed to ensuring it thrives in the future. I am dedicated to serving both new and long-term members of the community.

You may have seen me volunteering with Tukwila Safety Bond, Tukwila School Levy, Tukwila Children's Foundation and Action Tukwila. I am eager to work with you to continue to make Tukwila a great place for all its residents. If elected, I will focus on housing issues, public safety, supporting schools and living wage jobs. I will be honored to have your vote.

Endorsed: Congressman Adam Smith; Councilmembers Verna Seal, Cynthia Delostrinos, Kathy Hougardy, Zak Idan, Thomas McLeod and Kate Kruller; State Representatives David Hackney and Steve Bergquist; and more.

## Council Position No. 3

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**Education:** United Association Steamfitter Apprenticeship, Project Management, Estimating, Scheduling, Contract Negotiations

**Occupation:** Retired Steamfitter, Tukwila Planning Commissioner, Volunteer helping seniors, Youth Mentor

**Statement:** I've been a democrat for 47 years and have seen many changes with our party. One thing I've learned is that we need common sense thinking to help our community in times of need. As a senior actively engaged in the community, I care about our neighbors that feel their concerns are not being heard.

Our city is facing many challenges with unprecedented revenue loss and additional costs for the public safety bond overruns, it's time to re-center the narrative, it's time for change.

We need to increase funding for the fire department and *Never* allow it to go below minimum staffing and endanger our residents. Increase funding for the police department to assist in hiring additional skilled and compassionate personnel. Infrastructure is top priority with bridges, roads, and underground utilities in desperate need of repair, we need action, not studies. Let's Unite Tukwila together.

## Thomas McLeod

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**Education:** Bachelor's Degree in Business, City University of Seattle; AA Degree in Marketing, Highline College

**Occupation:** Current Tukwila City Councilmember; Tax Accountant, Goldstein & Associates, PS

**Statement:** I am honored to serve as your Tukwila Councilmember. I joined the Council with a passion to serve my community; to listen to your concerns from all sides of an issue, and to speak for those in need. I believe everyone's voice matters: no conversation is too minor, no relationship is too distant for me.

Over the past six years, I've been able to build relationships with community members and administrative staff to create greater public safety, affordable housing, neighborhood traffic calming, and new infrastructure for our first responders; all within a budget that reflects our diverse values and prioritizes community. I've worked hard to collaborate and build solutions for our community.

I believe in Tukwila's ability to lead with vision and make a regional difference. I'm endorsed by our current Council, Tukwila Firefighters Local 2088, King County Democrats, and 11th District Democrats. I would appreciate your support as well.



## Council Position No. 5

### Mohamed Abdi

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in American Ethnic Studies, minor in Diversity. University of Washington, Seattle

**Occupation:** Communications Coordinator at East African Community Services

**Statement:** I am running for City Council to bring innovation, transparency, and a new perspective from our next generations. If elected, I will work to dismantle the school to prison pipeline, limit law enforcement use of force, and increase accountability. I also will increase access to opportunity and advocate for quality affordable housing. These are priorities that will allow our City to thrive, because they are key actions that can lead to increased economic stability that supports and promotes Tukwila's unique human and cultural resources. My leadership and lived experience gives me a perspective to positively impact community safety and justice by advocating for community driven solutions.

Our younger generations know what we want in our future and we want to have a voice at the table of our city council. I humbly ask for your vote. Endorsed by the King County Democrats, 11th District Democrats. See my website for more!

### James Kerner

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Biology from Indiana University

**Occupation:** Stay At Home Dad

**Statement:** Common sense candidate who will work on behalf of Tukwila to fight corruption in Washington on a local level. I will immediately open schools and remove mask mandates for children. I will push back on Teachers Unions who bully homeowners into more levies year after year. Same Teachers Unions who push Sex Ed in kindergarten, Common Core, CRT, and Communist indoctrination on our children. I will end the lockdown in Tukwila. Background in Biochemistry. Kary Mullis > Fauci. Tough on crime and homelessness. Tukwila is the most diverse community in the country. I want to keep it that way by helping the families already here become property owners. Rather than rapidly upzoning like Seattle I believe Tukwila should sustainably create more single family homes in neighborhoods. I want to unite the community. Encourage assimilation & mutual respect for each other. Treat police officers and fire fighters like human beings again.

## Council Position No. 7

### Jay Stark

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**Education:** BS Finance; University of South Florida; Masters of International Management; Thunderbird School of Global Management

**Occupation:** Strategic Planning and Business Development for T-Mobile, headquartered in Bellevue

**Statement:** First, thanks to everyone who voted for me the last election. I won't waste time; Tukwila crime is worse than 99% of Washington State. Tukwila needs change. *Now!* I'm serving on the Tukwila Police Advisory Board, but they need support from our elected leaders. I'll prioritize funding to ensure Tukwila is safe so people and businesses can prosper.

Career politicians work together to retain power and prevent change. Don't believe endorsements by those supporting the status quo. Change is needed. I'll succeed in retaining our small community feel, while bringing more businesses and opportunity to Tukwila.

For the past 25 years, I've been in multiple leadership and governance roles for international organizations--leading teams in finance, marketing, and strategy. I want to focus those skills to help Tukwila thrive. I have the experience and motivation to move Tukwila in a positive direction. *Vote Jay Stark* so I can serve you.

### De'Sean Quinn

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**Education:** Bachelor's of Arts, Political Science, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Interim Assistant General Manager of Partnerships, King County Metro Transit

**Statement:** For 13 years I've worked to make Tukwila regionally competitive, with a strong and diversified economic foundation. I have walked through our neighborhoods, speaking and listening to neighbors, community leaders, and businesses. I have a passion for putting people first. Public service is community service.

I believe that today, Tukwila is more vibrant, welcoming, and innovative than ever. But there's still work to do. I will work to further opportunities where everyone cares for their community, their neighborhoods and each other, and ensure safety for all. Let us stand together for progress working for the common good! Tukwila is a place for all.

17 years ago, my wife and I moved our family here, drawn by the diverse neighborhoods and thriving economic base. We remain here because of our deep commitment to the city, and we're proud to call it home. I ask for your vote to continue serving you.



## Director District No. 2

## Angelica M. Alvarez

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Education, Goddard College, Master's in Educational Leadership in progress, Eastern Washington University

**Occupation:** Student, Family & Community Engagement Manager, Puget Sound ESD

**Statement:** Angelica Alvarez is a relentless advocate who seeks re-election as a School Board Director District 2 in Highline Public Schools. As a first generation Mexican-American, she believes that diverse identities and voices are assets that must be cultivated in community with one another to strengthen pathways from early childhood to post-secondary success for all students—particularly for those most affected by systemic inequities.

Angelica has acted as a systems navigator and translator across language, background, and sector to amplify the voices of her family and community her entire life – first as the daughter of migrant field workers, then in partnership with her husband Rev. Ernesto Alvarez starting a bilingual church in Burien, and currently in her role as family engagement manager at the Puget Sound Educational Service District.

Her 12-year journey on the Highline School Board began at the request of mothers in need of a bilingual advocate.

Angelica believes that systemic change requires time and negotiation for enduring impacts. She is running for re-election to ensure that every child knows that anything is possible through hard work and heart, and every parent has the agency to shape their child's success, without exception.

## Jennifer Fichamba

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**Education:** Franklin Pierce College, Highline College Theater, Heritage University ELL Endorsement, Career And Technical Education Certification

**Occupation:** GEAR Up Specialist -Tukwila School District

**Statement:** As a School Board member my job is to hear and respond to the needs of students, families and educators. My goal is to ensure that, when elected, we center the voices of students and educators - give them agency in the decisions that are being made about their education. It is important that we build relationships with the cities that we serve. Our young people need us to show up for them in a way that we are longer siloed. Building bridges to meet the needs of our young people.

I served as the Vice-President of the Tukwila Educational Association. Through this work I have gained experience in labor management, discussing issues facing both educators and district leadership. I will use this experience, as a board director, in decisions that are made on how money is used to support educators, students and programs.

I want to build hope and brighter futures!

Elected experience: Precinct Committee Officer - 33rd Democrats, Tukwila Education Association Vice President Endorsements: King County Democrats, 11th District Democrats, 33rd Democrats, IUPAT DC5 Painters & Allied Trades, Local 86 Ironworkers

Director District No. 3

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No statement submitted.

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**Education:** Highline College  
**Occupation:** OR Regional Operations Manager

**Statement:** As your current Highline School District Board Vice President, alumni, and parent, it has been an honor to serve our students, teachers and community.

Being an effective school board director involves listening to our community, translating your concerns into workable proposals, and building consensus to implement them. I couldn't do this job without the involvement and openness of the students, parents, teachers/ staff, fellow board directors and the community I represent.

I would be proud to continue to serve you and your family, helping to provide safe schools, adequate facilities, outstanding teachers and staff, and an environment which is conducive to learning and preparing our youth for success.

Thank you for your support.

## Director District No. 1

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**Education:** BS; Biology/Chemistry, University of Puget Sound. MS/PhD; Biochemistry/Molecular/Cellular Biology, Northwestern University

**Occupation:** Current Northshore School Board Director; Primary/Owner, Scientific Consulting company.

**Statement:** It has been an honor and privilege to put my experience and passion for public education to work in service of the Northshore community over the last four years.

This award-winning Board has done great things in that time, including; increased access to childcare, music, hi-cap, and mental health supports; opening new/upgraded facilities to provide safe learning environments; decreasing opportunity/outcome gaps; adding safety and equity teams in all schools; advocating with legislators to support our students and community; and we acted quickly to guide and serve our community in a global crisis. I'm so proud of the work we've done and the future of education as we move out of this pandemic.

But the work must continue. It's critical to fully fund education, ensure pandemic recovery, close opportunity/outcome gaps, teach students as individual learners, and increase access to early childhood education. My experience on this board, in science, management, legislative advocacy, teaching and troubleshooting, make me uniquely qualified to serve this critical role.

I would be honored to continue the great work of the Northshore School District and respectfully request your vote. Endorsements include: NOW; NEOPA/NSEA; 1st, 45th and 46th LD Democrats, King and Snohomish County Democrats, multiple elected officials.

## Elizabeth Crowley

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**Education:** MS Security Technology, Rochester Institute of Technology; CISSP; Computer Forensics Cert, UW

**Occupation:** Cyber Security Leader, Boeing

**Statement:** I'm running because I'm a concerned parent of a Northshore elementary student. Parents represent about 15% of voters, while 85% may be less familiar with district issues. We cannot keep doing the same thing and expecting a different outcome, elect change. I have watched stress levels and mental health issues escalate in our community, we're in a mental health crisis, now requiring long-term intervention. We need to proactively provide a suite of tools and services and be flexible, delivering the resources needed for all children to not just recover but to excel.

My skills as a Fortune 50 cyber security leader include active listening, being proactive, setting high expectations and making informed decisions will serve us on the Board. I am familiar managing a large budget that I am held accountable to. I will plan for the future and adapt as education requirements evolve.

Our children need our help to: *Improve* connections among schools, community, and the Board; *Rebuild* our support system focusing on emotional and educational growth; *Deliver resources and services equitably* to develop the whole child; *Implement* secure modern infrastructure, drive policy enhancements to foster a safe learning environment.

*Let's Connect; Let's be the changes they need.*

## Director District No. 4

## Sandy R. Hayes

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts, University of Washington, 1991, Juris Doctor, University of Washington, 1994

**Occupation:** I have a restorative justice practice.

**Statement:** In my 12 years on the Northshore School Board, the last year and a half have been so heart-breaking. Covid-19 caused loss of lives and jobs, and damaged mental health and relationships. We have much work to do to repair and heal. Our schools have a prominent role in that and we have learned that education can change and innovate. We need sound leadership to rethink the how, what and most especially the why of public education. The world was changing before the pandemic and that change has only accelerated. With your continued support, I will bring the voices of parents, students, and educators together to ensure our students are prepared for jobs that do not yet exist, in a world that will look dramatically different than what existed even a few years ago. I believe that every one of our students can and should be a contributing member of our community and I want to be part of that conversation.

**Endorsements -** 1st, 45th and 46th District Democrats, King County Democrats, Mainstream Republicans of Washington, Northshore Education Association, Northshore Education Office Managers, Secretaries and Professional Technical Employees, Rep. April Berg, Rep. Davina Duerr, Rep. Gerry Pollet, Rep. Roger Goodman

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**Education:** BS - Aeronautical Engineering, Air Force Academy; MS - Engineering, USC; MBA, Arizona State University

**Occupation:** PMO Director, Astronics Advanced Electronics Systems

**Statement:** The school board blames COVID, but it merely revealed their failures. Schools re-opened nationwide while we remained closed. Learning losses were dismissed, claiming 'they didn't learn as much as we hoped' with no 'summer recovery' available. Pandemic aside, systemic issues persist: loyalty to special interests ignores parental authority and short/long term impact on student academic, social, and emotional needs; extravagant spending despite schools in disrepair; and failing literacy programs.

As taxpayers, 56% of our property taxes supply NSD, growing >10% each year under the current board. Superintendent compensation increased from \$277K to \$460K--triple that of teachers. Meanwhile, academic achievement stayed flat while low-income student scores declined. I will bring fiscal accountability and demand measurable results, working within our means and closing the social divide. I will provide teachers with appropriate training to deploy consistent curricula. No more tolerating 'teach your truth' directives. I will require robust measurements to assess progress and ensure timely improvements.

As a recognized military, aerospace, and non-profit leader, I know effective and successful performance. Coming from a family of teachers and union leaders, I know effective educational administration.

I'm endorsed by parents, teachers, students and union leaders and stand ready to lead and serve our district.

## Director District No. 5

## Amy Cast

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**Education:** BS Business Management from Binghamton University, Binghamton NY

**Occupation:** Owner of a website design firm, and leadership consultant

**Statement:** Since I began serving you on the Northshore School Board eight years ago, I've dedicated myself to continuously improving our schools, making us one of the highest performing districts in the state. As we recover from the pandemic and its impacts on our children and community, I'm committed to passionately putting my experience to work for all kids.

Now more than ever, I'm focused on finding new resources, partnerships and programs to create exceptional outcomes for students. I work collaboratively and effectively to *find solutions, improve instruction, advance educational equity, update our buildings, carefully manage our resources, and build a culture where everyone in our schools feels seen, heard and valued.* My focus is on the whole child, and I'll sustain the growth in mental health supports and programs.

My perseverance in the face of tough challenges was critical to safely reopening schools and supporting student recovery. Perseverance remains essential as we move forward. I will continue to help our schools evolve as we prepare our students for their future. It is my commitment that together we will not only recover from this difficult time, but thrive.

**Endorsements:** 1st LD, 45th LD, 46th LD Democrats, King County Democrats, Northshore teachers.

## Amy Felt

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**Education:** Bachelor's - Business Administration, University of Washington; Juris Doctorate, University of Idaho School of Law

**Occupation:** Attorney - Felt Law

**Statement:** I spent the last year and a half in the trenches of "zoom school" right along with you. I sat at the kitchen table with my kids during the school day, trying to run my small business while keeping them on task. I watched them suffer academic, social, and emotional setbacks. I witnessed tiny fissures in the trust between families, teachers, and NSD administrators split wide open.

Good administrators sit down with families and teachers to solve impossible problems. They communicate honestly and openly. They lead without being flattened by squeaky wheels or cowed by special interests.

During my time as an assistant state attorney general, I acted as the child's advocate in emotionally heated custody disputes. Children were often overlooked when the adults started fighting—my job was to remind everyone that the *child was the most important person* in the room.

None of the current school board members have a student attending district schools. I will bring that parent voice to the board. I will demand measurable outcomes. *I will put students first.* If you want to see change in Northshore, I need your vote. Vote Amy Felt.



## Director District No. 2

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**Education:** B.S. Biology, Duke University; M.S. Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, OHSU; M.D., University of Louisville

**Occupation:** Child Psychiatrist at Eating Recovery and Pathlight Mood/Anxiety Center

**Statement:** As a proud graduate of the Renton School District, parent of children in the district, and spouse of a district teacher, it has been an honor to represent the Renton School District students, staff, and community for the last 4 years. It has certainly not been an easy few years, but our district and community have rallied together to do our best for students and staff. I will continue to work hard to be a partner and ally for our community as we recover from the pandemic and uphold the Renton School District priorities of Service, Excellence, and Equity. One of my biggest priorities, as a board director and child psychiatrist, is the ongoing work to improve mental health and social and emotional learning for our students. I would sincerely appreciate your support so that I may persist in this work and being a dedicated champion for every student in the Renton School District to help them achieve success.

## Director District No. 5

### Shelby Scovel

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**Education:** University of Pennsylvania, Master of Bioethics, B.A. in Economics & Political Science; Bellevue High School

**Occupation:** Home Health and Hospice Operations Executive

**Statement:** It has been an honor to serve as your current Renton School Board Director (District 5) since taking the oath of office in late February 2021. I stepped up during one of our most trying times as a society, just as COVID case rates in our area hit their peak. Leading with courage, humility, passion, curiosity, and inclusion, I look forward to earning your vote and continuing to serve our community for the next four years.

I am a fierce advocate for public school education and its role as the foundation for our society, economy, health, and well-being. I come from a family with many teachers, and I hold the utmost respect for our dedicated educators and staff.

My professional discipline is continuous improvement, and I bring this lens to my role as school board director. The pace of change in our world is only increasing, and we must innovate and adapt to prepare our students to thrive now and in the future. Change is uncomfortable, but it is also where the growth occurs.

Let's work together to build a brighter and more just future. Vote Scovel for Schools!

## Director District No. 4

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**Education:** Masters in Business Administration, Harvard Business School; B.A. Harvard University

**Occupation:** Parent, education advocacy volunteer, Superintendent's Parent Advisory Council, finance professional

**Statement:** Public education transformed my life. That is why I want to be your next School Board Director. As a child of working class immigrants, I started school as an English as a Second Language student. It was a public school teacher who identified my hearing disability and got me the support I needed to fulfill my potential. My family takes great pride that I am the first woman in my family to graduate from college.

Seattle Public Schools can do better. The talents and commitments of our teachers, principals, and staff are there. I see it every day as a mother of four current and future students, PTA president, and member of the Superintendent's Parent Advisory Council. We must support them with a budget and board that reflect our values. We can simultaneously tackle equity, academic quality, and operational efficiency so that our students are thoroughly prepared for career, college, and community.

I bring a diverse background and professional skills in finance and operations that are needed to better support our district. As Director, I commit to: (1) Establishing mental health as an essential service to reengage students who are falling behind, especially after the COVID-19 pandemic. (2) Making tangible progress on inclusion. (3) Securing needed transportation and assistance for families. (4) Hiring a superintendent with a strong vision for our district's future. (5) Diving into capital and operating budgets to ensure equity and spending accountability. (6) Strengthening community, city, county, and state alliances to improve funding, wrap-around services, and outcomes.

I'd be honored to have your vote.

Endorsements include: The Stranger, 36th & 43rd Democrats, National Women's Political Caucus, OneAmerica Votes, State Senators Reuven Carlyle & Jamie Pedersen, KC Councilmember Jeanne Kohl-Welles, former School Board Directors Betty Patu, Eden Mack, Sue Peters, Michael DeBelle, Rick Burke, Kay Smith-Blum; <http://vivian.school/endorsements>

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**Education:** M.S. in Education, Bank Street College of Education NY; B.A. UCLA, Los Angeles, CA

**Occupation:** Parent, Educator, Performing Arts, PTA school volunteer

**Statement:** I am running because I want transparency in policy and governance, engagement with communities, accessibility for students of all abilities, communication with parents & families, while prioritizing BIPOC voices. I will bring my lifetime of experience and values into making sure our schools are safe, accessible, fully and equitably staffed, for a quality public education for all Seattle students.

I will work to re-center our schools around students, and refocus on the core mission of academic achievement. Preparedness for college, career-based education for trades apprenticeships, and robust arts education give kids a lifetime of options and pride. Our schools anchor our neighborhoods and communities together for kids and families. They are *not* businesses for profit.

I chose a career in education and performance arts for 30 years, because I want to contribute and see children succeed. I have taught in multiple disciplines, such as Kindergarten, school programs at a municipal museum, and arts education for children and adults in the public and private sector. I have four children in our neighborhood schools.

I will strive to make learning accessible for children of all abilities. The systemic racial, cultural, and economic inequity in our schools must be addressed now. All services must be delivered equitably and effectively, 100% inclusive, and center on each child's needs. The COVID-19 crisis is still hard on kids and caretakers, and there must be transparency and contingency planning for how our schools reemerge from the pandemic.

My lifetime of working in and commitment to education will guide me to serve and set policy as your new school board Director. Endorsed by: Labor (Teamsters), 11th LD Democrats, Seattle Times; board member Coe Elementary School PTA and Friends of Seattle's Olmsted Parks; coordinator of National PTA's Reflections Art Competition since 2016, and school volunteer.

## Director District No. 5

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**Occupation:** Implementation Manager, King County Public Health

**Statement:** I am running for Seattle School Board because I believe that every child - I mean *every* child - should have access to a high quality public school education.

For 34 years I've called the Central District home. As a Seattle Public Schools mom I have experienced the promise and failure of our schools. Too often, demographics like race, zip code, socio-economic status, different abilities, first language, or the location of a child's school determine the quality of education a student receives. *This inequity is unacceptable.* We can do better for our children.

This past year has pushed our students and families into survival mode, as they have navigated the virtual classroom and faced the physical, emotional, and mental health impacts of COVID-19. Our students deserve a champion who will put *their* needs first. SPS has historically failed to serve Black students and students of color. We must close this opportunity gap. Our schools and teachers should understand the social-emotional needs and barriers facing marginalized students. I will ensure we invest in K-12 anti-racist curriculum, and evidence-based metrics of success over standardized tests that leave so many students behind.

As a former Midwife, Social Worker, Maternal-Child Health professional, PTA member, and public servant, I will continue working hard to identify the challenges facing Seattle Public Schools and will collaborate with others to build effective and enduring solutions. Our students shouldn't have to operate in resiliency mode to succeed in our public schools. *Our children are our future, and it's time we invest in their success.*

Endorsed by The Seattle Times, The Stranger, King County Democrats, 11th, 36th, 37th, & 43rd LD Democrats, Seattle Education Association, Ironworkers Local 86, Emerald Youth Organizing Collective, Women of Color in Politics, Seattle School Board Director Zachary DeWolf, and Seattle Council PTSA President Manuela Slye.

### Dan Harder

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**Statement:** Bills passed this year by the legislature require Washington State schools to teach that American legal institutions, the US constitution and the country itself are founded on and continue to be used to perpetuate white supremacy and discrimination on a national scale, and that these are the mechanisms of current "systemic racism" and white supremacy that explain all social disparities. These ideas have already been incorporated into SPS' curriculum and practice over the last several years under the banner of "diversity, equity and inclusion" programs, and are included in the new ethnic studies courses.

This is a gross mischaracterization of past discrimination and current disparities. Promulgating these falsehoods through the public schools attacks the foundation of our national identity and civil society. What a terrible lie to tell a child, that they are oppressed and cannot succeed.

The very concept of individual civil rights that requires equal treatment of individuals is rejected by SPS' "equity" policy 0030, which states that "equitable access" requires going "beyond formal equality" to "differentiated application of resources", using "racial equity analysis", incorporating appreciation of "history and heritage". In other words, equity for past discrimination requires discrimination against whites. This is not conjecture - teacher training materials confirm this interpretation of SPS' equity policy.

Of course there are many reasons for ongoing social disparities other than racism, bad leadership and bad policy chief among them. Those policies are the issue, not some grand white supremacist scheme. Support for students should be applied as required based on actual individual need, not based on racial group statistics. Discrimination and stereotyping individuals is always wrong, period.

The SPS board has statutory authority to determine our curriculum. Please join me in returning Seattle Public Schools to teaching complex American history, the bad and the good, and valuing *individual* civil rights.

## Director District No. 7

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**Education:** UW Graduate School of Education UACT, B.A. Political Science, University of Southern Mississippi**Occupation:** Educator, Federal Way Public Schools**Statement:** I am running to retain my seat on the Seattle School Board because I believe that every child has the right to a high-quality, rigorous public education and it is the duty of Seattle Public Schools to provide that education.

I am a proud resident of Rainier Beach and am an educator in the Federal Way Public School district. As the only educator on the current School Board, I know, firsthand, the impact that an effective school system can have on a child's life. I have also seen the physical and mental harm that schools can inflict upon Black, Brown, and other marginalized communities. We, as a system, can and *must* do better for our children.

Covid-19 has widened our city's already staggering opportunity gap. Seattle Public Schools must be prepared to address not only the educational needs of our students, but their mental health and emotional well-being, which have been heavily impacted by the pandemic. As school buildings prepare to reopen this fall, our students deserve a champion that will prioritize their needs and take swift action in meeting them. I will ensure that our system is held accountable to providing *every* child, educator and family with the resources needed to thrive. We must expedite the adoption and implementation of Ethnic Studies, refine and update our instructional approaches to math and reading, and decrease our reliance on standardized testing.

We need leaders who are prepared to push our district to focus on what is most important: *our children and their futures*. I humbly ask for your vote.

Endorsed by King County Democrats, 11th & 37th Democrats, The Urbanist, Washington Ethnic Studies Now, Seattle Education Association, Seattle Council PTSA President Manuela Slye, King County Councilmember Girmay Zahilay, State Senator Rebecca Saldaña, and many others.

## Director District No. 2

### Tyann Nguyen



**Education:** B.S. in Biochemistry & Cell Biology, UC-San Diego; Master in Teaching Mathematics & Science, SPU

**Occupation:** Special Education Paraeducator

**Statement:** An effective education is created by educators and administrators absolutely committed to protecting and guiding students toward empowering themselves through academic achievement and utilizing their intellectual gifts to succeed in life. I am passionate about engaging, motivating, and guiding learners of all backgrounds toward fulfilling their full potential in life. My alternative pathway in education, experience as a mother to two bright and intellectually curious children, and insight from many years of working with students of all ages and from all walks of life in various capacities such as a mentor to young children in a eucharistic youth group, a tutor to students with learning disabilities, a high school Biology teacher, and a special education paraeducator give me a fresh, in-depth, and valuable perspective that would give voice to all students and their families and offer meaningful solutions for achieving academic success and creating a bright future for all students.

### Emily Williams

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**Education:** Masters in Education, University of West Florida; B.A. in Sociology, Central Washington University

**Occupation:** Parent, racial equity advocate, educator, small business owner

**Statement:** Since becoming your school board director last year, I've worked alongside board colleagues to respond to the emergent needs of the pandemic, find and secure our new superintendent, and adopt two equity-focused resolutions: the implementation of ethnic studies & an anti-racism policy.

As a parent, I believe everyone should feel safe to be themselves in our schools. As an educator and woman of color, I believe this work starts and ends with centering voices of those who've been historically excluded in District decision-making. If elected, I'll advocate for improved District accountability, transparency, and community reciprocity; increase community engagement in District decision-making; embed racial equity & inclusion policies and practices District-wide; increase support for diverse students & staff; and responsibly care for District resources, *so our education system can better serve the needs of all students*. I'd be grateful for your vote.

Endorsements: 32nd Democrats, King County Democrats & Young Democrats

## Director District No. 3

### Sarah Cohen

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**Education:** PhD, English, University of Washington; MFA, University of California, Irvine

**Occupation:** Senior Learning Experience Designer, University of Washington

**Statement:** As a parent of twin third graders, I understand how important school is for our children's present and future. I have been honored to serve as a Shoreline School Director since December 2020. My vision for Shoreline schools is a place where every student can thrive personally and academically, supported by a valued staff and involved community.

This is an exciting but challenging time. As we reopen schools, we have the opportunity to apply what we've learned this past year to open new possibilities in technology, in school operations, and in the classroom. We also must continue to work toward equity at every level of our system.

I am committed to responsive communication with students, staff, families, and community members; to fiscal soundness and environmental responsibility; and to equity and success for every student. I would be honored by your vote and look forward to building ever stronger schools together.



## Director District No. 1

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**Education:** Studied Music at Sam Houston State University and Houston Baptist University

**Occupation:** Business owner, Trainer, Executive Board Member, Commissioner - Rainbow City Sports

**Statement:** We are at a pivotal time with an opportunity to come together, leverage our diverse perspectives, and reimagine public education. This can be possible with brave leaders willing to challenge the status quo, ask hard questions, and implement student centered policies. My 10+ years in youth development and nonprofit leadership have taught me that by encouraging collective growth, voice and innovation, we empower the entire community.

As a member of the Board I will work to center the *whole child* by *strengthening partnerships* and ensuring quality resources and training. We will increase equity by putting community first and *elevating youth voice* to *give students* ownership of their education.

Leading through change requires an emphasis on relationship building, trust, collaboration, and a clear vision. We need bold leaders who are committed to transparency. When elected, these are things that I will bring to the Tukwila School Board.

## Director District No. 3

## Bridgette Agpaoa Ryder

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Psychology, University of Washington; Master's and Doctorate in Educational Leadership, Seattle University

**Occupation:** Tacoma Community College Workforce Educator and Mental Health Counselor

**Statement:** Dr. Bridgette Agpaoa Ryder (she, her, hers) is dedicated to educational justice and liberation. As Filipina/Mestiza and first in the family to graduate from community college, she recognizes that communities continue to face structural barriers. As a district parent, educational leader, and a human services professional - she centers and elevates the voices who face structural barriers in education, employment, housing, and healthcare.

Bridgette is an advisory board member for the Black, Indigenous, Faculty of Color Mentoring Program for Washington Community and Technical Colleges. Bridgette is an elected School Board Director for the King County Directors Association Purchasing Cooperative. Bridgette serves the Still Waters Services for Families in Transition Board. She co-facilitates The Professional Women of Color in Higher Ed collaborative at Tacoma Community College. Bridgette previously vice-chaired the City of Tukwila Equity Social Justice Commission and previously chaired a Washington State Department of Health professional certification board.

## Commissioner Position No. 3

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**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** As a lifelong resident of this community, it has been one of my greatest honors to serve the citizens of Burien and Normandy Park since 2004 as one of your elected Fire Commissioners. In those 18 years, thanks to community support and our dedicated firefighters and staff, we have made significant improvements to the delivery of Fire and Emergency Medical Services to the residents of the district. By replacing our outdated and seismically unsound fire stations and by modernizing our fire engines and aid cars, we are now better able to provide timely, responsive care when you call upon us for help and have greatly improved our Community Protection rating from the Washington Surveying and Rating Bureau.

I am asking for your vote so that we can continue to deliver the world-class services that you have come to depend on in these challenging times.

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Tyler Byers

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**Education:** Central Washington University**Occupation:** Paramedic/Firefighter, Lacey Fire District #3

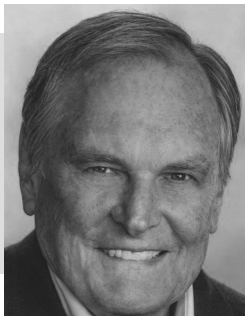
**Statement:** As Fire Commissioner I will ensure that our citizens receive the highest level of fire protection and emergency services. As a taxpayer I will be fiscally responsible and allocate funds appropriately. I will ensure our firefighters have the tools and training needed to respond to the emergencies of our ever growing community.

With the current challenges and future opportunities we need a motivated commissioner who understands the needs of a fire department and will voice concerns of the community. As a professional Paramedic/Firefighter with 20 years of experience I understand what it takes to bring your family and mine the highest level of service.

My wife and I have enjoyed raising our three young children in the same community I was raised. Our family has considered Kenmore home for 30 years. If we ever need help, I expect the best. That is what I will give you as Fire Commissioner.

## Don Ellis

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts-University of Washington, Certified Fraud Examiner 1995-Present**Occupation:** Finance (retired)

**Statement:** Don Ellis, a devoted local civil servant, passed away May 25, 2021. His statement is below:

For 28 years I have served a growing community as Northshore Fire Commissioner.

I am passionate about providing Northshore firefighters with quality training and equipment. Throughout my tenure I have worked to maintain a high level of service while managing the tax burden on residents of Northshore Fire cities. Last month (April 2021) the constituents resoundingly voted against merging Northshore Fire Department with Woodinville Fire Department. My position is that the merger would adversely affect the Northshore Fire community and should not move forward. Voters need to be aware that the five elected members of Northshore Fire Board of Commissioners can vote (without constituent support) to move ahead with this merger. Please consider this when you cast your vote for this position (King County Fire Protection District No. 16, Commissioner Position No. 3)

## Commissioner Position No. 5

## Nate Herzog

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**Education:** Shoreline Public Schools, Shoreline Community College, University of Washington, Association of Washington Cities CML**Occupation:** former City Councilmember; Small business owner: PQR Capitalization

**Statement:** There's a void in leadership at Northshore Fire. In April, voters overwhelmingly opposed the proposed merger. Furthermore, we sadly lost two commissioners this year; one is also retiring. As a two-term city councilmember, I managed budgets, and will bring the local government experience and stability our district greatly needs.

I love our community. This is where I grew up and now I'm raising my family here. It's also my pleasure to serve as a Northshore emergency response (CERT) volunteer. Our Northshore firefighters have been there for my family in times of need. I'll work to ensure your family has that quality level of service for generations to come.

I'm proud to have support from over a dozen citizens in both Kenmore and Lake Forest Park who've served as fire commissioners and city councilmembers. I hope you'll support me in bringing fresh leadership to Northshore Fire. I greatly appreciate your vote.

## Lisa Wollum

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**Education:** Highline Community College**Occupation:** Real Estate Agent, Small Business Owner

**Statement:** A Seattle local, with 17 years in Kenmore, I relate to the values of our community. I want the best Fire Protection and EMS service for our community.

In the recently proposed merger; firefighters were ignored and emergency response time was not given a priority. We, as a community need a diverse, transparent board that puts the needs of residents first. Fire Commissioners should respond to community members questions and provide evidence-based reasoning for decisions made. As the only woman running for Fire Commissioner, I am a voice for all community members. With my unique knowledge I can get the commissioners working together.

I will put the citizens of Kenmore and Lake Forest Park first while collaborating the needs of our firefighters - those who truly do the work to keep us safe. Endorsed by: Northshore Firefighters Local 2459, Shoreline Firefighters Local 1760, former Commissioner Verlinda, Commissioner Pratt

Commissioner Position No. 3

Cynthia Lamothe

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science Civil Engineering; Bachelor of Science Mathematics; Master of Science Civil Engineering

**Occupation:** General Manager Skyway Water and Sewer District

**Statement:** My name is Cynthia Lamothe and I am pleased to be running for election to King County Fire District 20, Commissioner Position No. 3. I was born and grew up in Seattle and have lived in the Skyway/West Hill area for 25 of the past 28 years. Fire District 20 plays a significant role in the health, welfare and safety of the people living here and sustaining our current level of service will be a top priority in the coming years. I have served as a fire commissioner for the past 6 years and would like to continue making a positive contribution to the organization and the community. I respectfully ask for your vote.

Commissioner Position No. 3

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No photo  
submitted

No statement submitted.



Per state law King County Elections is unable to remove a candidate from the ballot after the deadline to withdraw has passed regardless of circumstances (RCW 29A.24.131). Due to the timing of Mr. Don Ellis' passing his name will appear on the ballot.

## Commissioner Position No. 1

## Barb Sullivan

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**Education:** Shoreline Community College graduate**Occupation:** Shoreline Fire Commissioner, Shoreline School District

**Statement:** It has been an honor to serve as Fire Commissioner since November 2020. The Parkwood neighborhood has been my home for the past 28 years. During that time, I have witnessed the dedication and professionalism of the Shoreline Fire Department. The reputation of this fire district is excellent. In addition to rapid fire and emergency medical service responses, the pandemic response was exceptional. Thanks to the latest voter approved benefit charge, the district will be able to continue serving the community at the highest level. As your commissioner, I will work to ensure your tax dollars are allocated responsibly to preserve this service. I am grateful for your support.

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Rod Heivilin

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**Education:** No information submitted.**Occupation:** Retired fire officer

**Statement:** For the past twelve years it has been my honor to be a commissioner for the Shoreline Fire Department.

Prior to my retirement I served as a volunteer firefighter, career firefighter and officer, all with Shoreline. I know and understand what is needed to maintain a well-balanced fire department.

Regionalization has become the norm in the fire service with many small departments merging to form Regional Fire Authorities. There is little doubt this trend will continue as many departments struggle with financial and staffing concerns. Like other departments, Shoreline will explore options if the need arises but will not compromise services. Thanks to the constant support of our citizens, Shoreline Fire is very well staffed and financially sound. I am seeking a third term so I can remain actively involved in assuring that our future needs are met, and we maintain the service levels we need.



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- **By fax:** 206-296-4499



Commissioner Position No. 2

Julian Martinez

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**Education:** Computer Systems Engineer  
**Occupation:** Electrician

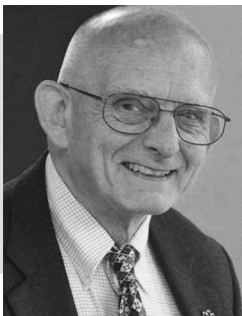
**Statement:** I have been working as an electrician for IBEW Local 46 for over six years and I understand the requirements and regulations that the electrical code demands to prevent fires.

South King County has historically supported our fire and rescue teams. I am familiar with many of the services provided by the Fire Department, beyond those of firefighting. My prior experience working with the Seattle Fire and rescue allows me to bring a different perspective to the Fire Commission. I am interested in furthering the goals of the all South King County Fire Department and working to provide policy on how to implement that agenda.

I have volunteered at local youth centered non-profit organizations and would like to do more education for youth around SKFR. I will bring a fresh, diverse voice to the commission and would appreciate your vote. In solidarity.

Bill Fuller

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**Education:** BS in Wood Technology; MS in Pulp and Paper Science, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Technical Consultant and Elementary School Para-educator

**Statement:** It was an easy decision to run for re-election and continue serving you as a South King Fire and Rescue Commissioner. As a Board member, I sincerely thank you for approving our levies and bond measures This allows continued high level protection by firefighters and officers.

I enthusiastically joined the other commissioners in approving replacement of aging engines, a ladder truck and aid cars. The capital improvement bond allowed remodel and earthquake resilience of six stations and providing a badly needed fleet maintenance facility. We also hired a highly qualified fire chief. My years as a volunteer firefighter gives me a high respect for the training and advanced skills we provide our firefighters.

As a Commissioner, I commit to collaborate with the Board of Commissioners and work with all public leaders. I will continue responding to all questions and concerns from citizens about the services provided by SKFR.

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Caroline Vadino

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**Education:** BA in Business Administration, Finance, from Washington State University

**Occupation:** Accountant in the Healthcare Industry

**Statement:** As a longtime resident of the district, I ask for your careful consideration of my candidacy as one of your South King Fire and Rescue Commissioners.

Having attended Washington State University completing my degree in finance, I now work as an accountant in the healthcare industry in Federal Way. I care passionately about the community, and volunteer as a 4-H leader in King County and as a member of the Federal Way Performing Arts Foundation Board.

Fire and rescue is an essential service that we need to ensure is the best that it can be. I want to increase engagement and outreach to involve the community in the conversations that will improve their services. Equity and access of services to all residents regardless of socio-economic or cultural background will be one of my priorities. I will support the hardworking firefighters and support staff and promote diversity in the department.

## Commissioner Position No. 5

## Dave Berger

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**Education:** BA in Political Science, UC Santa Barbara; Master's in Public Administration, Cal State University, Hayward

**Occupation:** Retired City Manager, Special Districts CEO, and Private Sector Executive

**Statement:** In March 2020, I was appointed to fill the vacant SKFR Board of Commissioners Position 5. I've listened to and engaged with residents, business owners, fire commissioners, fire administration and firefighters about the challenges and opportunities the district faces over the coming years. I support enhancing labor/management relations using the interest-based, collaborative bargaining model; fire administration's workforce diversity initiative; further progress on the district's participation in the South King County joint training consortium; and expanded opportunities to connect with, educate and involve the community in SKFR services and programs.

With 25 years successful executive oversight of other fire departments/districts, I bring a fresh perspective, extensive experience, and proven methods for delivering the highest-quality fire protection and emergency medical services within available financial resources. Greater Federal Way, Des Moines, and Auburn West Hill residents can trust that my management track-record of integrity and honesty, in always serving the public's best interest, will continue as an elected official.

For more information, including my community involvement and list of my supporters, please go to [retaindaveberger.org](http://retaindaveberger.org)

I look forward to continuing to serve as your SKFR Commissioner, and respectfully request your vote in the November general election.

## Commissioner Position No. 3

### Kathleen Quong-Vermeire

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**Education:** B A Degree Evergreen State College and Paralegal Highline Community College

**Occupation:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** Kathleen is running for re-election for the Highline Water District.

As a Commissioner for Highline Water District for over 20 years and having served as a Normandy Park Council member for 12 years she is a voice with experience. Kathleen is committed to maintaining a safe working environment for all our staff so that they can continue to provide safe, clean, and affordable water to all Highline Water District customers.

She will continue serving on Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts Emergency Preparedness, Government Relations, Technology committees, and Washington Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network WAWARN. Kathleen's Ham Radio Operator skills have benefited the cities of Tukwila, SeaTac, Burien, Des Moines, and Normandy Park. She was instrumental in the installation of emergency radio equipment for the City of Normandy Park. Please, re-elect Kathleen Quong-Vermeire as your Commissioner for the Highline Water District.

## Commissioner Position No. 5

### Vince Koester



**Education:** Applied science degree in Quality Assurance

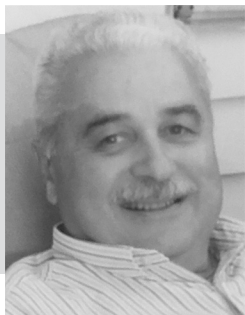
**Occupation:** Self employed 37 years

**Statement:** I am very proud to be a commissioner at Highline Water district. Most of us take for granted that when we turn on a tap we can be sure that good, clean, safe water will come spilling out. That doesn't happen by magic. It takes a hard-working management team and a well seasoned staff to give you the dependability. Highline Water district is very fortunate to have personnel working tirelessly to ensure you have just such a supply of water. I have never dealt with a more professional hard-working and dedicated staff. Highline Water has just been given a AAA bond rating, the best in the world, which means it is a very sound operation. Thank you for allowing me to be your commissioner.

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Darold P. Doell

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**Education:** M.B.A. Auburn University, B.A. Washington State University**Occupation:** Project Management Consultant

**Statement:** During my tenure with KCWD No. 20, I have facilitated numerous system upgrades including the rehabilitation of water main piping, the installation of new electronic systems that serve our reservoir, and the procurement of new security surveillance systems to protect District property and assets. I have also pursued increased certification training of our field technicians and assisted with the merger of KCWD No. 45 with KCWD No. 20.

As one of your KCWD No. 20 Commissioners, I will continue working hard to provide our community with the purest, cleanest water available at the lowest rates possible. I am a lifelong Burien resident, retired Military Officer, and KCWD No. 20 ratepayer just like you, and I will continue to represent each ratepayer with fairness, transparency, and equality.

I would be honored to have your vote. Thank you!

## Brooke Teegarden

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**Education:** Bachelor's in Communication, University of Portland**Occupation:** Project Manager for an international company specializing in construction software

**Statement:** Our commission combines decades of experience, but is dangerously outdated in communication and transparency. The district's website is the only communication method available, and is mobile-unfriendly, with barriers to obtaining records or attending meetings. No minutes or records are available, the most recent regional updates are from 2015, and the annual water quality report is provided in dense jargon with notes that state *"This is important. Have someone translate for you."*

Our sewer district maintains records of minutes for all meetings going back eleven years, a translatable website with one-click meeting links, and detailed information for agendas, contacts, and questions. This should be our baseline, with additional communication to engage public education and interest.

This water district should be "someone to translate for you" and clearly communicate technical information to the public. I will overhaul and modernize these practices, because our local government should be as crystal-clear as our water.

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Tom Jovanovich

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submitted

No statement submitted.

Commissioner Position No. 2

Leebue Maidesil

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**Education:** 8 year military veteran for the United Statrs Marine Corp

**Occupation:** Wastewater Collections Worker

**Statement:** My name is Leebue Maidesil and as Commissioner, representing Water District 125, I will do my best to ensure the safety and protection of the public, environment, and all employees. Together we will move forward and build our community.

Commissioner Position No. 3

Laura Marrone

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**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** My experience comes from working in the water and wastewater industry for over 22 years. I worked for Valley View Sewer District for 7 years and then for Water District 125 for 15 years, retiring in March of 2020. In September 2020, I was appointed to the Board of Commissioners to fill a vacancy. I have an in-depth knowledge of how a special purpose district functions and will always have the rate payer’s best interest in mind.

With a strong fiscal practices, we can maximize the resources that our District needs to update and protect the water system. My work at Water District 125 included being part of the team that received a Washington State Auditor’s Stewardship award in 2017. This award is given for outstanding use of public resources and we were the first special purpose district in Washington to ever receive this honor.

Thank you for your consideration.



## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Bill Donahue

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**Education:** Marquette University (BS Accounting)**Occupation:** Manager of renewable gas, pipeline and storage contracts for utility

**Statement:** In the last few years, your Board of Commissioners has been focused on long-term capital improvement projects and financial planning to modernize your water system in a fiscally responsible manner. We are also working to maintain safety and security for our pristine water supply. I am pleased to be able to bring my long utility industry experience to these efforts. I appreciate your support, to allow me to help continue to ensure Good Water, Naturally!

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Charlotte I. Haines

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

**Statement:** Plentiful, clean, affordable water is a basic human need. For 90 years, North City Water District has met this need—amidst tremendous growth and countless changes in water system operations, while maintaining infrastructure well above national standards.

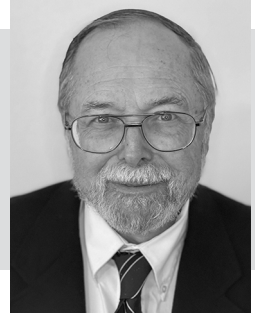
Through 19 years as a Commissioner, I have an in-depth understanding of the unique role and value of a special purpose water district—from strategic water system planning, operations, and management, to regulatory compliance and fiscal responsibility.

As a life-long resident of Shoreline, I have sponsored neighborhood groups when the City of Shoreline incorporated in 1995, founded the North City Neighborhood Association (NCNA), and volunteered at the North City Jazz Walk, Celebrate Shoreline, and the Holiday Tree Lighting. As your Commissioner, I will continue to work hard for you and your family to maintain the high level of service you have come to trust from the District. I humbly ask for your vote.

## Nigel Keiffer

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**Education:** Studied at University of Texas at El Paso, Technical and Professional Development courses throughout career.**Occupation:** Retired

**Statement:** Throughout my public service career over the last 45 years I have served the citizens of the City of Seattle and King County. Fifteen years with the City as an Civil Engineering Specialist and Senior Real Property Agent and thirty years with the County as an Engineer. I retired last year but believe I can still be of service to the Commission and local government.

The District operates under the authority of Title 57 RCW. The primary function of the District is to manage the water supply and maintain the infrastructure. The Commissioners provide oversight and have a fiduciary duty to protect the public trust. I submit that my training and experience establishes that I am the most qualified candidate.

Throughout my public service career I have respected my fiduciary duty to the public and I have never betrayed the public trust. I respectfully request your vote of trust.

Commissioner Position No. 3

John B. Harris

No photo  
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No statement submitted.



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## Commissioner Position No. 2

## Nicholas Fannin

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**Education:** Highline College, Pierce College,

**Occupation:** Local Real Estate Broker

**Statement:** I currently serve as a Midway Sewer Commissioner and am a long time resident of Des Moines. My hope is to continue my efforts in our community through service with the focus on maintaining a healthy environment while our region expands. We also need to keep rates affordable for our residents. I also serve the city of Des Moines as Arts Commissioner, and have worked within our budget while enriching our community through the arts. My flexibility in my profession as a real estate agent gives me the time to serve our community as I have. It's important for me to show my kids that involvement in the community matters, and work with this important infrastructure, while not glamorous, is essential to all of our quality of life. Thank you for taking the time to read this; I would appreciate your vote.

Nicholas K. Fannin

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Jim Polhamus

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**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** Fire Chief, retired

**Statement:** I am a candidate for Commissioner at Midway Sewer District. I believe in common sense management and fiscal responsibility. I have lived in our community my entire life. I am a retired Fire Chief of South King Fire & Rescue and a past president of Des Moines Rotary Club. I am asking for your vote and appreciate your support.

Thank you.

## Commissioner Position No. 5

### Scot D. Sanborn

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**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** Thirty eight years successfully running a construction company

**Statement:** My promise is to keep our ratepayers at the forefront of my actions and ensure the sewer rates remain fair and affordable. I have lived and worked in the Des Moines area all my life and have proudly served as your Sewer Commissioner for eight years . I have the experience and the problem-solving ability to lead Midway Sewer District into the future.

My personal goal for the Sewer District remains to keep the level of service high and the cost low for our customers. The District has been consistent in maintaining these goals and I will work hard to continue implementing them on behalf of the ratepayers. I have the vision to handle future challenges and look forward to serving the customers of the Sewer District.

Thank you for your support.



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## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Susan “Suzy” Genzale

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**Education:** Graduate St. Francis Cabrini Hospital School of Nursing

**Occupation:** Accounting, Tony's Market

**Statement:** It has been my honor to serve as your commissioner these past 10 years. Tony's Market has helped me bring a business owner's perspective and practical sense to the table. My grandparents were Italian immigrants who taught me the value of hard work. Acting with my fellow commissioners and district staff, we have made great strides forward in upgrading infrastructure, staff training, safety programs, security and technology. Our new administration and maintenance building has streamlined our operations. *Our sewer rate is about half (50%) the average sewer rate in King County and the second lowest sewer rate of the 28 sewer providers in King County.* I take pride in the fact that area residents frequently tell me that we provide excellent service to our ratepayers. I am dedicated to continue serving you and ask for your vote.

## Commissioner Position No. 3

## Nolita Reynolds

No photo  
submitted

No statement submitted.



## Commissioner Position No. 3

### David Arthur

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science, Simon Fraser University, Doctor of Chiropractic, Cum Laude, University of Western States

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner and Clinician, Health Care Clinic

**Statement:** I have served the Northshore community for over 20 years as a health care provider and small business owner.. My experience over those years has taught me to be fiscally responsible while maintaining exceptional customer service. I plan to bring a diverse and inclusive perspective to the Board of Commissioners. .

I look forward to making the Northshore Utility District (NUD) a leader in water conservation, sustainability, environmental responsibility and fiscal accountability. Safe, available drinking water and sewer service are fundamental to our growing community. I plan on making sure the NUD is prepared for and able to defend potential ransomware attacks.

I look forward to bringing my business experience and diverse perspective to the Board of Commissioners. As your next Commissioner I am committed to prioritizing affordable rates, exceptional customer service, fiscal responsibility and strategic infrastructure investments. I would be honored to serve as your next Commissioner.

### Matt Breysse

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**Education:** BA, Western Washington University; Teachers Certification, Seattle Pacific University; Masters in Administration, Western Washington University

**Occupation:** Teacher, Lake Washington School District

**Statement:** Thank you for allowing me to represent you on the Northshore Utility District's Board of Commissioners. During my time on the board, I have learned a lot and look forward to continuing our work to ensure our customers effective and quality utility services.

Northshore Utility District is one of the best run utility districts in the state. Our rates are among the lowest in King County and our highly trained employees work with state-of-art equipment to provide the best service possible. To make sure all our customers have access to our services, I helped create a low-income discount program, which allows us to provide the same great service to all people in our service area.

I am committed to ensuring high quality water and sewer services at the lowest cost with an ongoing concern for sustainability, and environmental stewardship. Your vote will allow me to work towards these goals.

## Commissioner Position No. 3

### Jon W. Ault

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**Education:** Highline Community College; Renton Technical College; SMA (Systems Maintenance Administrator), Building Owners & Managers Association

**Occupation:** Retired HVAC Master Technician, Valley Medical CenterM

**Statement:** I have lived in this community for 38 years, and have been your commissioner for 24 years. I am seeking re-election to a position which is often challenging but extremely worthwhile. As a retiree on a fixed income I share customer concerns about the rising costs of water & sewer bills. While commissioners struggle to balance affordable rates against much needed capital improvements to aging infrastructure, *I have consistently been a voice in support of the lowest possible rates for seniors and low income residents.*

My experience includes 4 terms as current commissioner; 16 years as President of Skyway Board of Commissioners; 22 year member Board of Directors of Cascade Water Alliance.

I look forward to continuing to serve your interests, and will be honored to receive your vote.

## Commissioner District No. 2

## Jim Griggs

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**Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration, Accounting Major, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Certified Public Accountant, Licensed Washington State; Commander, U.S. Navy (Retired)

**Statement:** Elected to the Board of Commissioners in 2019; gaining the confidence of fellow commissioners I'm currently President of the Board of Commissioners and Chair the Finance & Audit Committee.

Re-Elect me as your Hospital Commissioner. I promise to continue making informed decisions based on facts and data. Any decision I make will be in the best interest of our Valley community. I'll ensure Valley provides high quality, affordable health care to our community while remaining financially viable. Any decision I make will be in the best interest of our Valley community.

I'll fight to ensure control of Valley remains local, through the elected Commissioners. I'll ensure our tax dollars are spent here, in the district, to benefit our community.

My leadership and management skills developed over 34 years with the Washington State Auditor's Office, plus my 30 years (active & reserve) military service make me the most uniquely qualified candidate to provide the oversight and leadership needed to ensure Valley is accountable to the citizens. I'll be your watchdog, like I was for the State Auditors' Office. I'll be your eyes and ears to provide the management oversight needed to ensure Valley is managed and operated as efficiently and effectively as possible while providing high quality healthcare to our community. I've lived in the district 30+ years, my daughter was born at Valley, my family doctors are at Valley. Valley is an important community resource; let's protect and ensure it benefits our community, the community that supports it with our tax dollars.

I've served the nation in the military, including a tour of duty in Iraq, I've served the State as an Auditor, let me continue serving you as your elected Hospital Commissioner. Re-Elect me as your representative to the Valley Board of Commissioners. Together, we can move Valley forward.

## Dustin Lambro

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<http://www.dustinlambro.com>

**Education:** Bachelor's in Politics, Whitman College; extensive training/certification in mediation and negotiations

**Occupation:** President, King County Labor Council, worker advocate and community leader

**Statement:** My family has lived in Renton since the 1890s. I live in the Talbot Hill neighborhood just south of Valley Medical Center. As a first time candidate, I am running for office this year for two main reasons: to restore local control of Valley to the taxpayers and to be a voice on the Commission for frontline hospital workers and their patients.

Elected commissioners of our Public Hospital District gave up local control on issues that affect our community like patient care, staffing and taxing authority. They ceded that power to UW Medicine way back in 2011. This election is about whether we restore local control to the taxpayers, or we don't. It may very well require changing state law, and I am the only candidate in this race who has the proven track record and experience to mount a campaign to go get that done.

I am proud to be endorsed by the King County Democrats and leaders who know me and my work like Attorney General Bob Ferguson, Congressman Adam Smith, and many other leaders throughout South King County (see my website for a comprehensive list). Most importantly, I am proud to have earned the support of SEIU 1199NW, the Union of nurses and health care professionals at Valley. During the middle of the pandemic this last year, the hospital suspended retirement contributions for workers at Valley. Bad decisions like that jeopardize quality patient care, and frontline workers know that would not happen on my watch.

Ultimately, here is my pledge to you: if I am unable to restore local control of our hospital to the voters, then I won't seek another term. It's that simple. Valley Medical Center is a great institution with fantastic people, and with your help I know we will make it even better!

Commissioner District No. 3

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**Education:** Master’s Library Science, USC: Master’s Nursing Idaho State University; Ph.D. Education, University of Idaho.

**Occupation:** Retired nursing professor, registered nurse, WA. resident since 2008.

**Statement:** My first job was as a Medical Librarian in a large teaching hospital providing medical information to doctors, residents, nurses and other hospital personnel. I am currently retired and was appointed in June,2021 to fill a vacancy on the Board of Commissioners. I am running to fill the remaining four years of the term. My priorities are making sure Valley provides the best medical care possible and that our nurses, technicians and other medical staff are paid fairly. I also want to return control of Valley to the elected commissioners to make sure the hospital is accountable.

As a professor of nursing, I first taught at a community college and after I received my Ph.D in education, I helped create an accelerated Bachalaureate nursing program at Idaho State University in which I coordinated and taught for several years. After moving to WA in 2008, I taught nursing at Green River Community College until I retired.

It is troubling to me that control of Valley was transferred in 2011 from the five elected commissioners to a thirteen-member Board of Trustees comprised of the five elected Commissioners and eight UW appointees - so the elected commissioners do not have control of Valley. If you elect me, I promise not to mislead you about who controls Valley until the elected commissioners actually regain control.

From my background, I understand the nuances of accountability to the community within the hospital district and to our patients who rely upon the hospital for their wellness needs. I want to be part of Valleys bright future. I hope I can count on your vote.

## Commissioner Position No. 4

## Monique Taylor-Swan

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**Education:** Health Training Institute, Highline College**Occupation:** Certified Home Care Aide, Board Member Caregivers Union SEIU 775

**Statement:** My kids were born at Valley and I care deeply about the future of Valley. Seeing the way our district has changed because of UW Medicine and *COVID-19* trouble me because our residents are not receiving the respect they deserve. As a board member of SEIU 775 that represents thousands of home health care workers across Washington, I know first-hand how proper staffing means better patient care.

As your Hospital district 1 commissioner, I will work hard to represent and advocate for the residents of Hospital district 1. As a member of the community, I believe in teamwork - it takes to make a community health and prosperous, just as quality healthcare requires. We need administration that supports and provides quality o care.

As your commissioner, my priorities are for everyone who lives and works in our communities to have access to the best health care available, returning control of Valley back to the elected commissioners, reducing the pay of overpriced executives and using the savings to increase pay for nurses and staff.

As a member of the Renton Inclusion Task Force I am committed to ensuring that Valley has a diverse workforce and treats all residents fairly. We should conduct a comprehensive analysis using an *inclusion* and *equity* lens. Ongoing training workshops on *culturally competent care* is the key. Working together we can bring improvements to Valley for the people in this district. I have a passion to fight for a just and fair society and I want to set an example for other hospitals in the region.

If you elect me as your commissioner, I will bring the vote back to the community and let the people decide for themselves how their care should be. Your vote matters and I hope I've earned it.

## Katie Bachand

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**Education:** College Grad with Doula training from Seattle Midwifery School and Bastyr University**Occupation:** Birth and Postpartum Doula

**Statement:** I would like to represent you as *your* Hospital Commissioner!

Control of Valley Medical Center was taken away from *your elected* Commissioners and given to appointed Trustees controlled by UW Medicine. These Trustees lack accountability and have a track record of raising salaries at the top and reducing salaries of hospital staff. I want to stop the Trustees from taking your property taxes to fund whatever they deem to be necessary expenditures, including the salary of the CEO, without a vote from the Board of Commissioners! The dedicated doctors, nurses, and supporting staff should be compensated fairly for the life-giving work they do.

One goal as your Hospital Commissioner is to return control of our Hospital District to the voters who support Valley Medical Center with their tax dollars. I am a health care professional and care deeply about our patients and want the best possible health care for all in our Hospital District. I have had medical emergencies and Valley's exceptional medical staff saved my life and have also helped members of my own family.

My husband and I have lived in Kent since 1986, where we have raised our 5 children, dogs, cats, and chickens. Our children attended Kent public schools. We are active in our church and in community groups. Working as a Birth and Postpartum Doula since 1983, I have assisted many clients giving birth at Valley's Birth Center. Valley is one of only eight hospitals in Washington that is an accredited "Baby-Friendly Hospital," which is what new parents are looking for when choosing where to birth their babies!

Valley is an important community asset supported through *your* property taxes. We need to ensure it has active oversight to benefit *our* community and the health care professionals who work there. I appreciate your vote!



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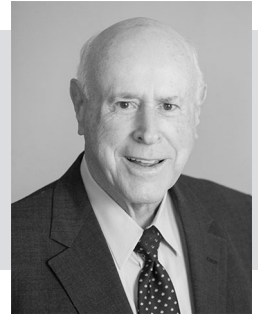
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## Commissioner District No. 1

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**Education:** No information submitted.

**Occupation:** No information submitted.

**Statement:** Having been a resident of the Northshore area all my life and having served on the EvergreenHealth Board for many years has provided me the opportunity to recognize the importance of providing quality healthcare for our community. I have been able to work for and see EvergreenHealth grow from a small Community Hospital into the major Medical Center that it is today. EvergreenHealth now provides many services such as Home and Hospice Care, a Family Maternity Center, an Outpatient Surgery Center, new facilities for the Booth Gardner Parkinson and the Multiple Sclerosis Centers, the Halvorson Cancer Center, and a new Intensive Care Unit. These services and facilities are all a reality because of the support from our community for EvergreenHealth.

EvergreenHealth is your community Hospital and it is rated among the top 5% of Hospitals for quality in the United States. This outstanding award is for many areas of service, such as stroke, cancer care, and many other areas. My goal as your Hospital Commissioner is to see that EvergreenHealth continues to provide the quality, innovative, and cost-effective care with a complete range of services that our community needs and deserves. Thank you for giving me the privilege of serving as your Public Hospital Commissioner.



## Commissioner Position No. 4

## Charles A. Pilcher

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**Education:** BS, Mathematics, Duke University; MD, University of Washington School of Medicine

**Occupation:** Emergency Physician & ER Medical Director (Retired); Board Member EvergreenHealth

**Statement:** Serving our community as an Emergency Physician and Commissioner (Board Member) at EvergreenHealth remains an honor. Being the only physician on the Board brings a valuable patient care perspective to the issues we face.

At the beginning of my tenure, I created and have chaired our Board Quality and Safety Committee. I enlisted community members with expertise in aviation, technology and industry to help guide us from a community hospital to a highly respected regional medical center, ranked by Healthgrades in 2020 as one of "America's 50 Best Hospitals." We were also recognized by the CDC, DOH and SKCHD for our team's response to the Covid19 pandemic as we became educators for the rest of the nation for our early experience with critically ill patients.

We take pride in our unique committee of over 40 Community Advisors who meet monthly to receive information and provide input to our Board and executive leadership. That has helped us build a first-class culture that allows us to recruit our amazing staff and reduce employee turnover.

I also serve on our Board Construction, Planning and Strategy Committee, helping to oversee and manage the costs of developing new projects and programs. I also represent Evergreen on the board of the Eastside Health Alliance, a project to improve quality and reduce costs and duplication of services in neurology and cardiology.

I commit to you, our taxpayers, to keep the hospital's tax rate as low as possible while insuring that Evergreen is truly working "to enrich the health and well-being of every life we touch." I am endorsed by firefighters, paramedics, community leaders and neighbors. I look forward to continuing to serve you as we face the opportunities and challenges of healthcare reform and hope that I have earned your trust and your vote.

## Katie Grainger

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**Education:** Bachelor's in English, Wofford College; Master's in Cultural Studies, University of Washington

**Occupation:** Senior Consultant in healthcare, Valence

**Statement:** I am an advocate for health in our community by promoting awareness for autoimmune diseases and fundraising for cancer research. Having worked in clinical care operations for the third-largest non-profit health system in the United States, I see both the challenges facing healthcare and possibilities for reform. I intend to help make healthcare better for all Americans. That starts with impacting decisions made at the local level.

As someone who lives with a chronic disease and is the healthcare agent of a parent, I know firsthand the struggles of navigating a complex system that is not always affordable or accessible. I don't need to be the medical expert in the room to provide governance that positively impacts our community. I will bring experts together with the people of District 2, so everyone is heard.

As your Public Hospital Commissioner, I will listen with intent and lead by example, being honest and transparent with the public. Most importantly, I will commit to making decisions that are in the best interest of our community.

Our future depends on healthcare, and I respectfully ask for your vote to help make a difference.

*Katie Grainger has been endorsed by the National Women's Political Caucus of Washington state and the Legislative District 48 Democrats.*

## Commissioner Position No. 1

**Joe Dusenbury**

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No photo  
submitted

**Education:** Education: BS Business/Finance - Central Washington University 2001

**Occupation:** Occupation: Retired

**Statement:** The Des Moines Pool Metropolitan Park District was created by Des Moines voters in 2009 for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the Mount Rainier Pool. Thanks to the vision and efforts of the original District Commissioners and the professionalism and dedication of the current staff, the Mount Rainier Pool is again in good condition and provides a clean and safe place for aquatic programs for the community. My goal is to work with the current Commissioners and staff to implement the Commissions vision of providing every child in Des Moines with the opportunity to learn to swim. I believe that learning to swim is the gateway to a lifelong activity that enhances quality of life.

With your support I will continue to work to ensure that the City of Des Moines always has a place for recreational and competitive swimming and other aquatic programs.

Thank you

## Commissioner Position No. 2

**Shane Stender**

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**Education:** Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Master of Science IMC

**Occupation:** Managing Partner SilverBack Advertising

**Statement:** As a current commissioner, I proactively bringing ideas and concerns and work to overcome the challenges of keeping up with community demand. I participate on the public outreach committee to improve pool access for *All* Des Moines residents and the greater aquatic community. I am working to expand the lesson program toward a long-term goal of seeing every local child have access to lessons.

I have been a part of the aquatics community my entire life; Swim lesson instructor, swim team, lifeguard, collegiate swimmer, summer and club coach, club board member and summer club president.

I plan to continue working toward a pool future where all kids are learning to swim and MRP serves the full aquatic needs of the swim community. We want a pool that works for our entire local aquatics community so that all individuals can enjoy the recreational opportunities that come with knowing how to swim.

## Commissioner Position No. 4

**Holly A. Campbell**

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**Education:** Master of Public Policy

**Occupation:** Performance & Evaluation Manager

**Statement:** I've spent my career in public service, supporting programs to develop and meet their accountability measures. I hope that I can use my experience in program and financial analysis to ensure the Mt. Rainier Pool provides excellent services to the people of Des Moines. Access to swim lessons and aquatic exercise is important for everyone, and it is the job of the Commission to make sure that happens. As Commissioner, I will ensure that the Mt. Rainier Pool is a welcoming, affordable option for people of all languages, races, religions, incomes, and abilities.



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## Commissioner Position No. 1

### Vanessa Zaputil

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**Education:** University of Victoria, Canada

**Occupation:** Small Business Owner, Consultant

**Statement:** It has been my honor to have served the people of Tukwila as a TPMPD Commissioner since 2015.

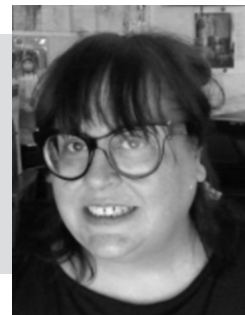
Having been around water all my life, I truly understand and am committed to maintaining and sustaining a swimming pool accessible to our diverse community. As Commissioner, I will continue to support and strengthen TPMPD relationships with the Tukwila School District and the City of Tukwila to ensure increased access to health and safety benefits in a fiscally responsible manner.

In the past 6 years our Pool District has thrived and achieved many accomplishments including: partnerships with the American Red Cross for much needed swim lesson scholarships and Health Insurance providers for low-cost fitness options; successfully completing capital improvement projects such as new flooring, a pool liner replacement and facility painting; and being fiscally responsible stewards of the public's money by increasing reserves each year through careful oversight.

## Commissioner Position No. 2

### Ellen Gengler

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**Education:** BA, Marquette University, Certificate of Marketing Communications, UW, Graduate courses, Wilkes University School of Education

**Occupation:** Human Resource Coordinator for the Tukwila School District

**Statement:** 50 years ago, in 1971, the Tukwila Pool opened.

The vision of the Tukwila Pool is to contribute to the quality of life for our community, and for future generations, through welcoming, fun, safe and positive aquatic experiences.

During my first term, along with my fellow commissioners and the Tukwila Pool Operations team, we started our "3rd Saturday Events" to encourage families and community to engage with the Pool. Over the past 6 years we've hosted such themes as, "Pumpkin Plunge," "April Pools Day," and "Cardboard Boat Races." Quality instructed swim lessons and other programs meet the needs of our diverse community. Financial viability is crucial to our pool's continued success. Our debt will soon be paid off, and we are starting discussions on how we can best serve our community for the next 50 years. I again ask for your vote as your voice for transparency, efficiency, and responsiveness.

Charter Amendment No. 1

Preamble

Shall the Preamble of the King County Charter be amended to make a grammatical correction and to include among other charter purposes, equitable government, protection and enhancement of the urban and rural environment and economy, and promotion of a superior quality of life?

Yes

No

*The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 85.*

Statement in favor

The Preamble to the County Charter is an opportunity for the voters to state their values and say what outcomes they want from county government. Since the Preamble was first written, King County has grown to be home to 2.3 million people and a hub of technology, culture and innovation. It’s time to update the Preamble to better reflect our modern county and the people who live in it.

By adding “for all” and “equitable,” the Preamble will show that county government should be a resource and provide services to all its residents in an equitable manner. This involves not just providing services equally but also finding out about the needs, ideas and solutions different communities might have and helping them access services so they can succeed and thrive.

The addition of “protect and enhance” and “promote a superior quality of life” reflects the county’s direct role in providing regional services, such as buses and public health, and as the local government in the unincorporated areas. The county also has a unique role as a leader, convener, and facilitator of improvements in these areas in collaboration with cities.

We ask you to vote yes on King County Charter Amendment 1.

Submitted by: Michael Herschensohn,  
Louise Miller, Alejandra Tres

Explanatory statement

The preamble of the King County Charter states the purposes for the Charter. Currently, the stated purposes are to form a more just and orderly government, establish separate legislative and executive branches, provide for responsibility and accountability for governance and services, enable effective public participation, preserve a healthy rural and urban environment and economy, and secure the benefits of home rule and self-government.

This proposed amendment to the preamble would correct a grammatical error and add the purposes of a more equitable government for all and promotion of a superior quality of life. The amendment would also change the already stated purpose of preserving a healthy rural and urban environment and economy, to protecting, enhancing and preserving a healthy rural and urban environment and economy.

For questions about this measure, contact: Patrick Hamacher, Director of Council Initiatives, (206) 477-0880, Patrick.hamacher@kingcounty.gov

Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

Statements in favor of and in opposition to a ballot measure are submitted by committees appointed by the jurisdiction. No persons came forward to serve on the committee and to write a statement in opposition. If you would like to be involved with a committee in the future please contact the jurisdiction.



Charter Amendment No. 2  
Initiative, Referendum and Charter Amendment  
Timelines and Processes

Shall the King County Charter be amended to comply with state law timelines for initiative, referendum and charter ballot measures and to clarify definitions and terms related to the referendum and initiative process?

Yes  
No

The complete text of this measure is available beginning on page 85.

Statement in favor

Since voters first approved it in 1969, the King County Charter has provided residents the opportunity to submit initiatives and referenda to the King County Council to be either adopted or put on the ballot for voters to consider.

Over the years, state law governing the rules for initiatives and referenda has evolved, particularly in terms of timelines for putting measures on the ballot. In addition, in 2018 the King County Council updated the county code describing the process for initiatives and referenda to align with state law. Consistent with that prior effort, this charter amendment is largely technical and meant to align the charter with state law and county code, and to provide other clarifications to the process and timelines.

Initiatives and referenda to the King County Council are unusual events, but when they do happen it is important that state law, the county charter, and county code are consistent, provide one set of rules for people to follow, and that the rules are as clear as possible, regardless of the topic. This charter amendment will achieve that goal.

Please vote Yes on King County Charter Amendment No. 2.

Submitted by: Toby Nixon, E.J. Juarez,  
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Explanatory statement

The King County Charter authorizes county initiatives, referenda and charter amendments. The timelines related to these proposed ballot measures as currently stated in the Charter conflict with state law timelines for placing proposed measures on the ballot. The Charter timelines are based on state statutes that have been amended since the Charter was adopted.

This proposed amendment would replace the outdated Charter timelines with the current state law timelines and would incorporate any future changes to the state law timelines. The proposed amendment would also change several sections of the Charter to clarify the process for filing proposed initiatives, referenda and charter amendments.

For questions about this measure, contact: Patrick Hamacher, Director of Council Initiatives, (206) 477-0880, Patrick.hamacher@kingcounty.gov

Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

Statements in favor of and in opposition to a ballot measure are submitted by committees appointed by the jurisdiction. No persons came forward to serve on the committee and to write a statement in opposition. If you would like to be involved with a committee in the future please contact the jurisdiction.

**Proposition No. 1****Levy for walkways, safe connections, parks, and recreation**

The City Council of the City of Lake Forest Park adopted Resolution No. 1810, concerning sustainable funding for walkways, safe connections, parks, and recreation.

This proposition would help fund projects and services identified in Safe Streets reports and PROST plan. It authorizes a maximum regular property tax rate for collection in 2022 of \$1.57 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation (an approximately \$0.59 per \$1,000 increase). The 2022 levy amount will be used to compute the limitations for subsequent levies under chapter 84.55 RCW. Qualifying low-income seniors, disabled veterans and others with disabilities will be exempt from the levy increase under RCW 84.36.381.

Should this proposition be approved:

Yes

No

*The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections).*

**Statement in favor**

We represent families asking the community to come together to invest in safe school and park access via bike lanes and sidewalks, so all residents feel safe walking or biking on our streets. The heavily trafficked areas near schools and the main corridors of our city are currently unsafe for pedestrians without adequate sidewalks, shoulders, or traffic calming. Let's prevent any further tragedies on our streets!

Proposition 1 equalizes accessibility and safety of vital spaces for all LFP residents. The levy lid lift increases accessibility for pedestrians and cyclists throughout our community, improves safety around schools, funds improvements in our existing parks, and builds a 2-acre lakefront park to provide lake access to all of our residents.

Recent resident surveys and open houses highlighted these needs and shaped existing development plans. Future plans will be developed with community input and annual reports will provide transparency and accountability.

The levy lid lift is designed to generate approximately \$2 million each year to exclusively design, build, and maintain the proposals in the *Safe Streets and Parks, Recreation, Open Space, and Trails* (PROST) reports. Qualifying seniors, veterans, and disabled homeowners would be exempt from the increase under RCW 84.36.381.

**Rebuttal of statement in opposition**

The levy increase applies only to the small portion the city receives; 9% of your annual property taxes. The levy amount results in an increase of just \$30 per month for the average household; with exemptions available. The city has already raised millions in grants to fund other projects and now needs our help to invest in a safer, more accessible community for all residents. For today and future generations.

Submitted by: Vicki Pettiross, Rachel Chen, Annthea Vining, [rcdog3@gmail.com](mailto:rcdog3@gmail.com)

**Explanatory statement**

The City of Lake Forest Park proposes a ballot measure to provide sustainable funding for the development, operation, and maintenance of parks, recreation and open spaces, trails, sidewalks, safer pedestrian/cyclist connections, and traffic calming throughout the City.

Approval of Proposition 1 helps fund: parks, recreation, and open space projects and services identified in the City's Parks Recreation Open Space and Trails ("PROST") Plan; pedestrian, bicycle, traffic calming, and other safety connection projects identified in City's Safe Streets reports; and projects identified in future parks, recreation and pedestrian/cyclist connectivity plans adopted by the City Council. If approved, Proposition 1 authorizes an increase of approximately \$2 million in the City's regular property tax levy by an increase of approximately \$0.59/\$1,000 of assessed valuation, to a total levy rate of \$1.57/\$1,000, as allowed by Chapter 84.55 RCW.

The approximately \$ 2 million in additional levy funds would be deposited into a dedicated revenue fund exclusively for the levy proceeds and funds would only be used if identified in a Levy Implementation Plan, which would include eligible projects, operations descriptions, milestones, and costs. The City would annually publish a report on the projects, operations, and expenditures of the levy funds.

Approval of Proposition 1 would cost the owner of a \$617,000, median-valued Lake Forest Park home about \$366.01 per year, or approximately \$30.50 per month. The levy amount collected in 2022 would be used to calculate subsequent levy limits. Qualifying seniors, disabled veterans and others with disabilities would be exempt, per Chapter 84.36 RCW.

For questions about this measure, contact: Phillip Hill, City Administrator, (206) 368-5440, [phill@ci.lake-forest-park.wa.us](mailto:phill@ci.lake-forest-park.wa.us)

**Statement in opposition**

We agree, Lake Forest Park needs safer streets and park improvements. There are better ways to fund them than *permanently* increasing property taxes 61%, the largest increase in our history, making LFP one of the most heavily taxed cities in the North end.

Prop 1 is *permanent*, the owner of an average home would pay \$360 or more per year in LFP property taxes, forever. Prop 1 is *regressive*, the 61% increase disproportionately harms seniors and working-class families. Prop 1 is *restrictive*, as our community's needs change, the funds can't be spent on emerging issues such as community services, homelessness, crime, or infrastructure improvements. Prop 1 *eliminates control*, it does not require community input or approval for where, when, or which projects are undertaken, or their cost. Prop 1 enables the Council to borrow significant funds, encumbering future generations, *without a public vote*.

There is a better way to fund these improvements, in the same or less time, using grants, bonds, or limited term levies, without a *permanent* 61% tax increase, loss of public control, and restricting future City options. Tell your Council we need a sustainable, inclusive, smarter approach.

Vote No on Prop 1. Let's do it right!

Submitted by: Jeff Snedden, Don Nibouar, Bryce James, [www.Abetterwaylfp.org](http://www.Abetterwaylfp.org)

**Rebuttal of statement in favor**

Prop 1's 61% permanent tax increase isn't the way to get our improved sidewalks and parks. Prop 1 has no defined plan for accomplishing its goals; no specific detail of projects, their costs, or timelines; no requirement for public input or approval; no meaningful controls, only an after-the-fact "annual report". Currently available funding resources, or limiting the tax's duration were never adequately considered. Please visit "[www.Abetterwaylfp.org](http://www.Abetterwaylfp.org)", to get the facts.

Proposition No. 1  
Property Tax Rate

The Normandy Park City Council passed Resolution No. 967 to place before the voters restoring funding of City services to previous levels. This proposition authorizes (1) an increase in the regular property tax rate for collection in 2023 of approximately \$.20 cents per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, for a total tax rate of \$1.60 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, (2) annual increases in the levy amounts for 2024-2028 of 4% or such lesser increase as will keep the tax rate at \$1.60 per \$1,000, and (3) use of the 2028 levy amount as the basis for levy calculations thereafter.

Should this proposition be approved?

Yes  
No

*The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections).*

Statement in favor

The City of Normandy Park depends on its residents to support this levy which funds a portion of our essential city services. The levy budget includes our respected police department and the upkeep of parks and roads. For property owners, the levy is calculated as \$1.60 for every \$1,000 of assessed property value.

Submitted by: Craig Daly, Eric Zimmerman, Neil Ball, (253) 470-4791

City residents are asked to vote to renew the levy every 6 years. Without the levy, a funding shortfall will lead to the loss of city staff and up to 3 police officer positions out of our current full staffing of 10 officers.

Most cities in King County have a variety of revenue sources from which to develop their city budget. However, Normandy Park is disadvantaged by having one of the lowest levels of taxable retail sales in the county. Normandy Park depends almost solely on property taxes in combination with this modest levy. A vote for the levy shows a willingness to help our City maintain a healthy budget and invest in public safety, roads, and parks.

Together we have built a welcoming, beautiful, and peaceful community. Let's keep it going! Please vote Yes on Proposition 1 to show your support for Normandy Park.

Explanatory statement

The City of Normandy Park relies on property taxes to provide basic services such as police and street maintenance.

For questions about this measure, contact: Amy Arrington, City Manager, (206) 248-8246, [aarrington@normandyparkwa.gov](mailto:aarrington@normandyparkwa.gov)

State law limits City property tax increases to 1% per year without a public vote. This limitation makes it difficult for City property tax revenues to keep up with inflation, legal mandates, and demands for services from City residents.

Normandy Park's 2021 property tax levy rate is approximately \$1.46 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. If this proposition is passed into law, the City will be authorized to levy up to \$1.60 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2023. For each year from 2024 through 2028, the City will be authorized to increase the levy by 4% or such lesser increase as will keep the levy rate at \$1.60 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation as allowed by state law, specifically RCW 84.55.050. This increase will allow the City to maintain police and street maintenance at current levels. Currently, 11% of the average household's property tax bill is allocated to the City of Normandy Park. The proposed increase applies only to taxes that are allocated to the City, and not to the remainder of the property tax bill. The City will be authorized to use the 2028 levy amount as the basis for future levy calculations.

To live within its means, the City of Normandy Park has implemented efficiencies and explored other revenue options. If this measure is not approved, reductions in police and street maintenance will be necessary.

Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

Statements in favor of and in opposition to a ballot measure are submitted by committees appointed by the jurisdiction. No persons came forward to serve on the committee and to write a statement in opposition. If you would like to be involved with a committee in the future please contact the jurisdiction.

Proposition No. 1  
Replacement of Expiring Educational Programs and  
Operation Levy

The Board of Directors of Highline School District No. 401 adopted Resolution No. 08-21, concerning a proposition for a replacement levy for education. This proposition would authorize the District to levy the following excess taxes, replacing an expiring levy, on all taxable property within the District, for educational programs and operation expenses not funded by the State (including nurses, special education, counselors, athletics, advanced courses, extracurricular activities, transportation, teacher pay and training):

Collection Year	Estimated Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2023	\$2.50	\$63,808,067
2024	\$2.50	\$66,360,390
2025	\$2.46	\$67,988,856
2026	\$2.43	\$69,873,487

all as provided in Resolution No. 08-21. Should this proposition be approved?  
Yes  
No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections).

Statement in favor

Schools are the heart of our community. Children are our most precious asset and promise for the future. It's time to renew our commitment to funding educational programs so all Highline students have equitable opportunities to succeed in school. This is not a new tax or a tax increase.

We represent community leaders and volunteers from across Highline. We ask for your vote to approve an expiring education levy providing local funds to fill critical gaps in state and federal funding for our students' needs.

By voting to approve this levy, you are voting "yes" to continue high-quality instruction with support and training for our teachers, academic and emotional support for our students through counselors and social workers, and funding for broad course offerings in middle and high school—including advanced courses. Renewing this levy also impacts students' health and safety, by paying for nurses and other staff not fully funded by the state. Your approval ensures that services and programs needed by our students, now more than ever, will continue.

Vote yes to renew our promise to Highline students—to know each student by name, strength and need and prepare each one to choose their own future.

Rebuttal of statement in opposition

One-time federal dollars are for covering COVID-related costs only. They can't be used for ongoing expenses. Levy dollars sustain operating expenses and student support until 2027. Levy failure will mean staff lay-offs and cuts that harm students.

Highline has a track record for good stewardship of tax dollars and balanced budgets. This is not a tax increase. Investing in schools benefits everyone in our community. Vote to approve.

Explanatory statement

Passage of Proposition No. 1 would allow the Highline Public Schools to replace an existing educational programs and operation levy that will expire at the end of calendar year 2022. The taxes collected by this replacement levy will be used to pay expenses of educational programs and operation that are not fully funded by the State of Washington, including, but not limited to, nurses, special education, counselors, athletics, advanced courses, extracurricular activities, transportation, and teacher pay and training. Further information is available on the District's website at <https://www.highlineschools.org>.

The proposed four-year replacement educational programs and operation tax levy would authorize collection of taxes to provide up to \$63,808,067 in 2023, \$66,360,390 in 2024, \$67,988,856 in 2025, and \$69,873,487 in 2026. The tax levy rate required to produce these levy amounts is estimated to be \$2.50 in 2023, \$2.50 in 2024, \$2.46 in 2025, and \$2.43 in 2026 (estimated levy rate per \$1,000 of assessed value). The exact tax levy rate and amount to be collected may be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the taxable property within the District and the limitations imposed by State law at the time of the tax levy.

Exemptions from taxes may be available to certain homeowners. For more information, call the King County Department of Assessments, 206.296.3920.

For questions about this measure, contact: Kate Davis, Chief Financial Officer, (206) 631-3079, [Kate.Davis@HighlineSchools.org](mailto:Kate.Davis@HighlineSchools.org)

Statement in opposition

Local property taxpayers (homeowners and renters in their rent) are maxed out. We are still facing economic instability due to Covid-19, while many parents have incurred additional education expenses such as home tutoring, or had to quit jobs to do so themselves, for the last year and a half.

In 2018, the legislature determined levies are unfair and dramatically increased state school property taxes. The Highline SD, as of 2019-2020, is already excessively spending \$20,000 per student per year for operational expenditures, capital outlays, and interest on debt. More than tuition at most private schools, and all from your taxes. Total compensation for district administrators ranges from a median of \$180,000 to a high of \$400,000 yet 60% of the district's students are from low-income families.

Currently, our nation's school districts are flush with federal Covid-19 relief cash. Most are still trying to decide what to do with all the extra money. They don't need to ask taxpayers for more. The district needs to respect hardworking taxpayers, stick to a budget, and continually reduce overhead and waste. Stop taxing people out of their homes.

The district needs to act frugally, starting *now*.

Submitted by: Jeff Heckathorn, [schooldataproj@gmail.com](mailto:schooldataproj@gmail.com)

Rebuttal of statement in favor

The Highline SD is misleading voters and confusing themselves. This levy is a new tax and is a tax increase. The previous 4 year levy was for \$177M. This new levy, as of this writing, 8/11/21, is advertised on the district's website for \$208M. But what will be on the November ballot is \$268M. Using arithmetic, that is a 51% increase.

Vote no to overspending and to the lack of transparency.

**Proposition No. 1**  
**Property Tax Levy for Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services**

The Board of King County Fire Protection District No. 20 adopted Resolution No. 2021-002 concerning a proposition to maintain and adequately fund District operations. This proposition would finance fire protection and emergency medical services by restoring the District’s regular property tax levy to a rate not to exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for collection in 2022. The 2022 levy amount would be the base for calculating annual increases of up to 6% in the succeeding five years (2023-2027), and the maximum allowable levy amount in 2027 shall serve as the base for subsequent levy limitations as provided by chapter 84.55 RCW. Should this proposition be:

Approved  
Rejected

*The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections).*

**Statement in favor**

Fire District 20, Skyway Fire Department, provides essential fire, medical, and emergency services for our community. Fire District 20’s operating costs continue to rise due to increasing service demands. This levy is critical to meeting the need for additional personnel and maintaining budget plans for the upcoming replacement of response vehicles.

This levy will allow for two additional full-time firefighters - enabling response from our Fire District 20 station to both fire *And* medical emergency calls 24 hours a day.

Our firefighters have always been there for us, and now we have the opportunity to support their work in our community. We encourage and appreciate your Yes vote on this levy lid-lift.

Submitted by: Jeremy Williams,  
Margie Lindberg, Sharon Greer,  
[SkywayFireLevy2021@gmail.com](mailto:SkywayFireLevy2021@gmail.com)

**Explanatory statement**

King County Fire Protection District No. 20 provides emergency fire protection and medical services to the communities of Skyway, Bryn Mawr, Lakeridge, Earlington and Campbell Hill.

For questions about this measure, contact: Eric Hicks, Fire Chief, (206) 772-3029, [ehicks@kcfd20.org](mailto:ehicks@kcfd20.org)

If approved by the voters, this proposition will authorize the District to restore its regular real property tax levy rate to \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation in 2021 for collection in 2022 and will establish an annual growth rate of up to 6% for following five years. The District’s current tax levy rate is approximately \$1.13 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

The District Board has found that the tax levy and the revenue it will produce is necessary to maintain the current level of services, fire fighter staffing, equipment and facilities and to purchase additional equipment and apparatus to continue to improve services for the protection of life and property in the District and to enhance public safety.

If the levy is approved, the maximum tax on a \$300,000 assessed valuation residence in the first year of the levy would be increased by approximately \$111.00 each year or approximately \$9.25 per month for the emergency services.

**Statement in opposition**

No statement submitted.

Statements in favor of and in opposition to a ballot measure are submitted by committees appointed by the jurisdiction. No persons came forward to serve on the committee and to write a statement in opposition. If you would like to be involved with a committee in the future please contact the jurisdiction.



Proposition No. 1  
Continuation of Benefit Charge

Shall Renton Regional Fire Authority be authorized to continue voter-authorized benefit charges each year for ten consecutive years beginning in 2023, not to exceed an amount equal to sixty percent of its operating budget, and be prohibited from imposing an additional property tax under RCW 52.26.140(1)(c)?

Yes  
No

The complete text of this measure is available at the Elections Office or online at [kingcounty.gov/elections](http://kingcounty.gov/elections).

Statement in favor

We request voters approve the continuation of the Renton Regional Fire Authority (RFA) Fire Benefit Charge (FBC).

The RFA was approved by voters back in April 2016 and started operations on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016, when the Renton Fire Department joined with King County District 25. The FBC is one of only two sources that fund fire and emergency medical services provided by the RFA to our over 135,000 residents and businesses in our 33.3 square mile service area. The FBC accounts for 40% of the budget for the RFA, including costs for training, equipping and paying firefighters as well as maintaining and replacing all fire trucks, other apparatus and fire stations. Renewal of this fee will make it possible for the RFA to continue to maintain critical service levels and innovative programs developed over the last 5 years, including the FD Cares and Public Education programs, for another 10 years.

The FBC provides an equitable, stable and reliable method for funding operations, even in times of uncertainty, and distributes costs of service based on the size and characteristics of the structures on property. The FBC applies to structures 400 feet or larger, including each level of a building, basements (finished/unfinished), mezzanines and garages. Factors helping to determine the amount each taxpayer contributes are based on required firefighting resources, sizes and hazards associated with the structure(s). *Discounts are provided for buildings with sprinkler systems and exemptions for religious schools, churches and nonprofit housing.*

We appreciate our communities’ continued support of Renton Regional Fire Authority and ask for your vote in favor of this measure on the ballot.

Submitted by: Diane Dobson, Jason Parker, [diane@gorenton.com](mailto:diane@gorenton.com)

Explanatory statement

Renton Regional Fire Authority provides emergency medical and fire protection services to the areas within the RFA. The Governing Board is requesting that voters approve the continuation of the existing benefit charge initially approved by the voters in 2016.

For questions about this measure, contact: Steven C. Heitman, Fire Chief, (425) 276-9501, [steve.heitman@rentonrfa.org](mailto:steve.heitman@rentonrfa.org)

A benefit charge is not a property tax but is a user fee designed to allocate the cost of the services provided by the RFA in reasonable proportion to the measurable benefit a property receives. The benefit charge is based on a standard industry accepted formula that takes into consideration fire flows, structure square footage and the type of structure and risk factors. If the benefit charge is approved the RFA’s statutory tax authority is reduced by \$.50 per thousand of assessed valuation.

The Governing Board has determined that a benefit charge, established in conjunction with a lower level of property taxes, provides the fairest, most stable, reliable and cost effective method for financing the operations of the RFA and maintaining satisfactory levels of service.

The proposition requests voters to authorize the continuation of the benefit charge to be collected for an additional ten years from 2023 through 2032. Prior to establishing the benefit charge each year, the Governing Board will hold a public hearing and each year property owners will have the right to petition for adjustments in the amount of the benefit charge.

Statement in opposition

No statement submitted.

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## Full text of Ordinance No. 19300

**Ordinance 19300**

AN ORDINANCE proposing to amend the Preamble to the King County Charter to include among the charter goals, equitable government, a strong urban and rural economy and superior quality of life and to make a grammatical correction; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at a special election to be held in conjunction with the November 2, 2021, general election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

**SECTION 1.** There shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at a special election to be held in conjunction with the November 2, 2021, general election, an amendment to the Preamble to the King County Charter, as set forth herein:

**PREAMBLE**

We, the people of King County, Washington, in order to form a more just, equitable and orderly government for all, establish separate legislative and executive branches, ~~((insure))~~ ensure responsibility and accountability for local and regional county governance and services, enable effective public participation, preserve, protect and enhance a healthy rural and urban environment and economy, promote a superior quality of life and secure the benefits of home rule and self-government, in accordance with the Constitution of the State of Washington, do adopt this charter.

**SECTION 2.** The clerk of the council shall certify the proposition to the director of elections, in substantially the following form, with such additions, deletions or modifications as may be required by the prosecuting attorney:

Shall the Preamble of the King County Charter be amended to include among the charter goals equitable government, a strong urban and rural economy, and superior quality of life and to make a grammatical correction?

## Full text of Ordinance No. 19308

**Ordinance 19308**

AN ORDINANCE proposing an amendment to the King County Charter to update the charter, clarify terms and bring the charter into compliance with state law, as it pertains to referendum, initiative and charter ballot measure timelines; amending Sections 230.40, 230.50, 230.50.10, 230.60, 230.70, 230.75 and 800 of the King County Charter; and submitting the same to the voters of the county for their ratification or rejection at the November 2, 2021, general election.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

**SECTION 1.** There shall be submitted to the qualified voters of King County for their approval and ratification or rejection, at a special election to be held in conjunction with the November 2, 2021, general election, amendments to sections 230.40, 230.50, 230.50.10, 230.60, 230.70, 230.75 and 800 of the King County Charter, to read as follows:

**230.40 Referendum.**

Except as provided herein, an enacted ordinance may be subjected to a referendum by the voters of the county ~~((by filing with the county council prior to the effective date of the ordinance))~~ if a proposed referendum petition is submitted as provided in Section 230.70 of this charter and then no later than forty-five days after enactment of the ordinance petitions are filed with the clerk of the county council bearing signatures of registered voters of the county equal in number to not less than eight percent of the votes cast in the county for the office of county executive at the last preceding election for county executive. In addition, except as provided herein, an enacted ordinance which pursuant to state law is effective only in unincorporated areas of the county may be subjected to a referendum by the voters of the unincorporated areas of the county ~~((by filing with the county council prior to the effective date of the ordinance))~~ if a proposed referendum petition is submitted as provided in Section 230.70 of this charter and then no later than forty-five days after enactment of the ordinance petitions are filed with the clerk of the county council bearing signatures of registered voters residing in unincorporated areas of the county equal in number to not less than eight percent of the votes cast at the last preceding election for county executive, provided however that the number of required signatures shall be calculated based only upon votes cast within areas which on the date such petitions are required to be filed are unincorporated areas of the county. Each petition shall contain the full text of the ordinance to be referred. ~~((The ordinance to be referred shall be placed on the ballot at the special or general election occurring more than forty-five days after the petitions are filed, provided that))~~ Following the verification of sufficient petition signatures and in accordance with state law deadlines for calling an election, the county council shall call for an election to submit the referred ordinance to the voters for approval or rejection at the next available election date specified in state law, in the case of an ordinance effective only in unincorporated areas of the county, the proposed ordinance shall be

voted upon only by the registered voters residing in unincorporated areas of the county.

An appropriation ordinance; an emergency ordinance ~~((necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety or for the support of county government and its existing public institutions))~~ as specified in Section 230.30 of this charter; an ordinance proposing amendments to this charter; an ordinance providing for collective bargaining; an ordinance approving a collective bargaining agreement; an ordinance providing for the compensation or working conditions of county employees; or an ordinance which has been approved by the voters by referendum or initiative shall not be subject to a referendum.

**230.50 Initiative**

Ordinances, except ordinances providing for the compensation or working conditions of county employees, may be proposed by filing with the county council petitions bearing signatures of registered voters of the county equal in number to not less than ten percent of the votes cast in the county for the office of county executive at the last preceding election for county executive. In addition, an ordinance which pursuant to state law is effective only in unincorporated areas of the county, except an ordinance providing for the compensation or working conditions of county employees, may be proposed by filing with the county council petitions bearing signatures of registered voters residing in unincorporated areas of the county equal in number to not less than ten percent of the votes cast at the last preceding election for county executive, provided, however that the number of required signatures shall be calculated based only upon votes cast within areas which on the date such petitions are required to be filed are unincorporated areas of the county. Each petition shall contain the full text of the proposed ordinance.

The form of a proposed ordinance petition must be submitted in accordance with Section 230.60 of this charter to the clerk of the council. Once the form is approved, if within ninety days the required signatures of registered voters are filed with the clerk of council, then the county council shall consider the proposed ordinance. If the proposed ordinance is not enacted within ninety days ~~((after))~~ of the date the signed petitions are ((presented)) filed, ((it shall be placed)) the county council shall, in compliance with state law timelines for placing local measures on the ballot, place the proposed ordinance on the ballot either at the next ((regular or special)) general election ((occurring more than one hundred thirty-five days after the petitions are filed)) or at an earlier election designated by the county council. ((However, if the proposed ordinance is enacted at any time prior to the election, it shall not be placed on the ballot or be voted on unless it is subjected to referendum:))

If the county council rejects the proposed ordinance and adopts a substitute ordinance concerning the same subject matter, the substitute ordinance shall be placed on the same ballot with the proposed ordinance; and the voters shall first be given the choice of accepting either or rejecting both and shall then be given the choice of accepting one and rejecting the other, provided that in the case of an ordinance effective only in unincorporated areas of the county, the proposed ordinance shall be voted upon only by the registered voters residing in unincorporated areas of the county. If a majority of the voters voting on the first issue is for either, then the ordinance receiving the majority of the votes cast on the second issue shall be deemed approved. If a majority of those voting on the first issue is for rejecting both, then neither ordinance shall be approved regardless of the vote on the second issue.

**230.50.10 Institutional Initiative.**

Any city or town located within the county may, after securing the consent, by motion or resolution, of at least one half of the cities within the county, propose an ordinance of county-wide significance directly to the metropolitan county council, except an ordinance which is not subject to a referendum under the provisions of Section 230.40 of this charter. Such proposed legislation shall be in ordinance form. The metropolitan county council shall ~~((take action on))~~ approve, amend and approve, or reject such proposed legislation within ninety ~~((90))~~ days of its filing with the county council.

**230.60 Referendum and Initiative Petitions.**

The county council shall establish by ordinance the form to be used for referendum and initiative petitions. All referendum and initiative petitions shall be sponsored by an individual or committee of individuals, which shall secure the approval of the clerk of the county council as to the form of the proposed petitions before circulating them. Within five days after the form of the proposed petitions is submitted to the clerk of the county council, the clerk shall return it to the sponsor with an indication of the clerk's approval or with a detailed written explanation of the clerk's objection to the form.

**230.70 Effective Date of Ordinances.**

Except as provided herein, the effective date of an ordinance shall be ten days after its enactment unless a later date is specified in the ordinance. If an

## Full text of Ordinance No. 19308

ordinance may be subjected to a referendum as provided in Section 230.40 of this charter and ((if a)) the proposed referendum petition is submitted to the clerk of the county council as provided in ((Subsection)) Section 230.60 of this charter prior to the tenth day after its enactment, ((the effective date of the ordinance shall be forty-five days after its enactment unless a later date is specified in the ordinance. If an ordinance is subjected to referendum, it)) and if the department of elections director notifies the clerk of the council in writing that the number of petition signatures is sufficient to proceed to referendum, the ordinance shall not become effective until after it is approved by the voters. If it is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the issue, the effective date of an ordinance which is subjected to referendum or proposed by initiative, or a substitute ordinance proposed by the county council as provided in ((Subsection)) Section 230.50 of this charter, shall be ten days after the results of the election are certified unless a later date is specified in the ordinance. The effective date of an ordinance no longer subject to referendum is the date the department of elections director notifies the clerk of the council in writing that the number of petition signatures is insufficient to proceed to referendum, unless a later date is specified in the ordinance. A determination of the sufficiency or insufficiency of the required number of petition signatures for a referendum should be completed within ninety days of the enactment of the ordinance. The effective date of an emergency ordinance shall be the date of its enactment unless a later date is specified in the ordinance.

An ordinance which is subject to the veto power of the county executive and which is not vetoed, or the approved portions of an appropriation ordinance which has been partially vetoed, shall be deemed enacted on the date that it is approved by, or ten days after it is presented to, the county executive. An ordinance which is vetoed or the vetoed portions of an appropriation ordinance shall be deemed enacted on the date that the county council overrides the veto or partial veto. An ordinance which is not subject to the veto power of the county executive shall be deemed enacted on the date it is approved by the county council.

**230.75 Amendment or Repeal of Ordinances Approved by the Voters.**

No ordinance that is approved by the county council in response to the filing of an initiative petition or that is approved by a majority of the voters voting thereon, whether as the result of a referendum or initiative, shall be amended or repealed by the county council within a period of two years following the effective date of such ordinance; provided that such ordinance may be amended within the two-year period by ordinance adopted by a vote of not less than two-thirds of all members of the county council, which amendatory ordinance shall not be subject to referendum.

An ordinance approved by the county council in response to the filing of an initiative petition or by the voters may be amended or repealed by an ordinance approved by a majority of the voters voting thereon at any special or general election. Ordinances may be enacted to facilitate and effectuate this provision.

**Section 800 Charter Review and Amendments.**

At least every ten years after the adoption of this charter, the county executive shall appoint a resident commission of not less than fifteen members whose mandate shall be to review the charter and present, or cause to be presented, to the county council a written report recommending those amendments, if any, which should be made to the charter. Appointees shall be subject to confirmation by a majority of the county council. This resident commission shall be composed of at least one representative from each of the county council districts. The county council shall consider the commission's report and recommendations and decide at an open public meeting how to proceed on each of the commission's recommended charter amendments, as provided by ordinance.

The county council may propose amendments to this charter by enacting an ordinance to submit a proposed amendment to the voters of the county. The county council shall comply with state law timelines for placing local measures on the ballot and shall place the proposed amendments on the ballot at the next general election ((occurring more than forty-five days after the enactment of the ordinance)). An ordinance proposing an amendment to the charter shall not be subject to the veto power of the county executive. Publication of a proposed amendment and notice of its submission to the voters of the county shall be made in accordance with the state constitution and general law. If the proposed amendment is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the issue, it shall become effective ten days after the results of the election are certified unless a later date is specified in the amendment.

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Shall the King County Charter be amended to comply with state law as it pertains to initiative, referendum and charter ballot measure timelines, and to clarify definitions and terms related to the referendum and initiative process?

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