

WHATCOM COUNTY OFFICIAL LOCAL VOTERS' PAMPHLET

General Election - November 6, 2007



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Dear Whatcom County Voters:

The importance of each and every vote became glaringly evident at the certification of the Primary Election. A mere 25 votes thrust a candidate into the lead vying for a spot on the General Election ballot. The General Election should prove to be just as exciting so please remember to vote your ballot and mail it early!

For the first time, candidates for fire, water, cemetery, park & recreation, and hospital districts are listed in the Whatcom County Local Voters' Pamphlet. I'm excited that you have the opportunity to review statements provided by candidates in your district.

If you are a United States citizen and are registering to vote for the first time in the State of Washington, you will need to do so in person no later than Monday, October 22, 2007, in order to vote in the November 6, 2007 General Election. The special in-person registration will be held from Monday, October 8, 2007 through Monday, October 22, 2007, during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.) at the Whatcom County Auditor's Office, Whatcom County Courthouse, 311 Grand Avenue, Suite 103, Bellingham, WA.

If you have not received your ballot fifteen (15) days prior to the election, call the Elections Division of the Whatcom County Auditor's Office at 360-676-6742, Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. to have a replacement ballot mailed to you. Notify the Elections Division if your name or mailing address has recently changed. If you have any questions about the voting process, voter registration, voting aids, or voter assistance, call 676-6742.

Your ballot needs to be postmarked no later than Election Day to be counted. However, I *recommend mailing your ballot no later than November 5th*. If you prefer, you may drop your ballot off at the curbside Ballot Drop Box, 311 Grand Ave. near the Courthouse Rotunda, Bellingham, WA or at the Whatcom County Auditor's Office, 311 Grand Ave., Suite 103, Bellingham, beginning 20 days prior to the election. The curbside Ballot Drop Box and the Drop Box at the Auditor's Office will close at 8:00 p.m. on Election Day. Inside this pamphlet you will find drop site locations that are open on Election Day *only*.

REMEMBER - Your vote *does* make a difference!

Sincerely,

Shirley Forslof
Whatcom County Auditor

Participating Jurisdictions:

Port of Bellingham; Whatcom County Executive; Whatcom County Council District Nos. 1, 2, 3; Whatcom County Assessor; Whatcom County Auditor; Whatcom County Sheriff; Whatcom County Treasurer; Bellingham City Mayor; Bellingham Council Wards 1, 3, 4, 5; Bellingham Council At-Large; Blaine Council Wards 1, 2, 3; Everson Council Positions 4, 5; Ferndale City Mayor; Ferndale Council Positions 1, 2, 3, 4; Lynden Council Positions 1, 2, 3, 4, 6; Nooksack Council Positions 4, 5; Sumas Council Positions 3, 4, 5; Bellingham School District No. 501; Ferndale School District No. 502; Blaine School District No. 503; Lynden School District No. 504; Meridian School District No. 505; Nooksack Valley School District No. 506; Mt. Baker School District No. 507; Concrete School District No. 11; Fire Protection District Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 16, 17, 18, 21; Glacier Fire and Rescue District No. 19; Water District Nos. 2, 13; Pt. Roberts Water District No. 4; Birch Bay Water and Sewer No. 8; Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer; Samish Water District; Glacier Water District No. 14; Acme Water District No. 18; Evergreen Water and Sewer District No. 19; Cemetery District Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11; Point Roberts Park and Recreation District No. 1; Northwest Park and Recreation District No. 2; Lynden Regional Park and Recreation District No. 3; Hospital District No. 304; Point Roberts Public Hospital District.

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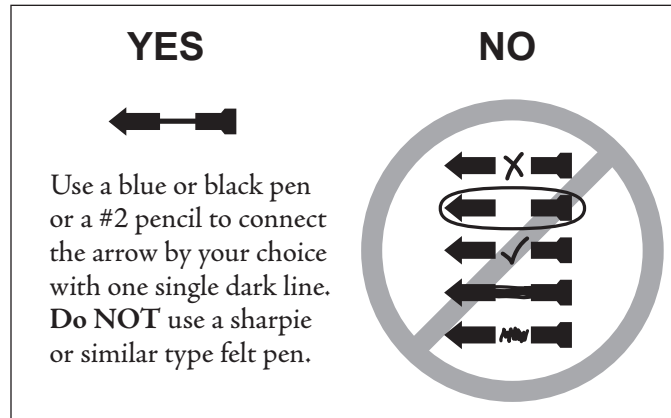
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Marking Your Ballot - Make Your Vote Count

STEP 1: Mark Your Ballot. Use a blue or black pen or a #2 pencil to connect the arrow by your choice with one single dark line. Do NOT use a sharpie or similar type felt pen.

- Make no identifying marks on your ballot or on the secrecy envelope.
- Voted ballots are read electronically so any extra marks on the ballot will delay processing.

STEP 2: Detach Stub. Detach the stub at the top of the ballot at the perforation and discard the stub.

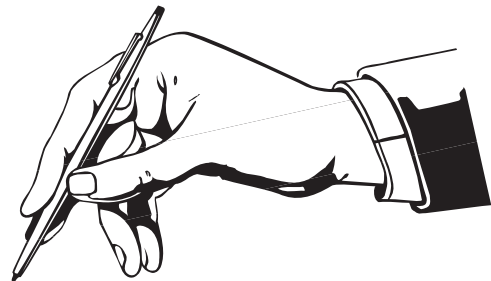


STEP 3: Keep It Secret. Place the voted ballot in the white secrecy envelope and seal it.

STEP 4: Mailing Envelope. Place the white secrecy envelope inside the lavender return envelope.

STEP 5: Sign The Oath. Read and sign the affidavit on the back of the lavender envelope.

- The lavender envelope must be signed by you in order for your ballot to be counted.
- Ballot signatures are matched with your voter registration.
- If a medical or other circumstance has altered the appearance of your signature, you can have two people witness your signature (or mark) on your ballot envelope.



STEP 6: Protect Your Privacy. Seal the envelope so the privacy flap covers your signature as indicated on the envelope.

STEP 7: Mail Your Ballot. Affix a first-class postage stamp before you deposit your ballot in the mail.

- To assure your vote will be counted, your ballot needs to be postmarked **no later** than Election Day or deposited in the Curbside Ballot Drop Box located at 311 Grand Ave., by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

TO CORRECT A VOTE you may draw an **X** through the error and connect the correct arrow or request a replacement ballot. Do not erase! **DO NOT** cut or alter your ballot or sign your ballot. **VOTING** more than once per race will cancel that vote. **TO WRITE-IN A NAME NOT ON THE BALLOT**, connect the arrow and write in the name of the candidate in the space provided.

Accessible Voting Unit

What is an Accessible Voting Unit?

An accessible voting unit (AVU) is federally required. It is equipped with visual and audio technology that allows voters with impaired vision and/or physical disabilities to vote a secret ballot. The AVU is an accurate and secure way to vote.

Where will the AVU be located?

The AVU will be located at the Whatcom County Auditor's Office, Whatcom County Courthouse, 311 Grand Ave., Suite 103, Bellingham, WA.

When can I vote using the AVU?

You may vote beginning Wednesday, October 17, 2007. The AVU will be available to vote in the Auditor's Office Mon. – Fri., 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

The AVU will be available on Election Day, Tuesday, November 6, 2007, from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Is the AVU secure?

Yes. The AVU stands alone and is not connected to the Internet or an intranet. When a vote is cast the ballot selections are encrypted and stored within the voting unit. The ballot order is scrambled to ensure the voter's anonymity and leaves no connection between the voter and his or her recorded vote.

How can I be sure my vote will be counted?

The AVU displays a paper record of your selections before you cast your ballot. Your secret ballot is electronically stored and it cannot be traced back to you.



Sample Ballot

SAMPLE BALLOT WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 6, 2007



TO VOTE: Use either pencil, blue or black pen.

CONNECT THE HEAD AND TAIL of the arrow that points to your choice

TO WRITE IN a name **NOT** on the ballot, connect the arrow and write in the name of the candidate in the space provided.

TO CHANGE A VOTE: Request a replacement ballot or cross out the incorrect vote and vote the correct choice. Any other markings may invalidate your vote.

NOT ALL DISTRICTS ON THIS SAMPLE WILL APPEAR ON YOUR BALLOT. ONLY THOSE DISTRICTS THAT YOU'RE ENTITLED TO VOTE IN WILL APPEAR.

STATE MEASURES	
INITIATIVE TO THE PEOPLE	
Proposed by Initiative Petition	
INITIATIVE MEASURE 960	
Initiative Measure No. 960 concerns tax and fee increases imposed by state government.	
This measure would require two-thirds legislative approval or voter approval for tax increases, legislative approval of fee increases, certain published information on tax-increasing bills, and advisory votes on taxes enacted without voter approval.	
Should this measure be enacted into law?	
YES	←
NO	←
REFERENDUM MEASURE	
Passed by the Legislature and Ordered Referred by Petition	
REFERENDUM MEASURE 67	
The legislature passed Engrossed Substitute Senate Bill 5726 (ESSB 5726) concerning insurance fair conduct related to claims for coverage or benefits and voters have filed a sufficient referendum petition on this bill.	
This bill would make it unlawful for insurers to unreasonably deny certain coverage claims, and permit treble damages plus attorney fees for that and other violations. Some health insurance carriers would be exempt.	
Should this bill be:	
APPROVED	←
REJECTED	←
STATE MEASURES	
PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS - SENATE AND HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS	
Proposed to the People by the Legislature Amendment to the State Constitution	
ENGROSSED SUBSTITUTE SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8206	
The legislature has proposed a constitutional amendment on establishment of a budget stabilization account.	
This amendment would require the legislature to transfer 1% of general state revenues to a budget stabilization account each year and prohibit expenditures from the account except as set forth in the amendment.	
Should this constitutional amendment be:	
APPROVED	←
REJECTED	←

Proposed to the People by the Legislature Amendment to the State Constitution	
SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 8212	
The legislature has proposed a constitutional amendment on inmate labor.	
This amendment would authorize state-operated inmate labor programs and programs in which inmate labor is used by private entities through state contracts, and prohibit privately operated programs from unfairly competing with Washington businesses.	
Should this constitutional amendment be:	
APPROVED	←
REJECTED	←
Proposed to the People by the Legislature Amendment to the State Constitution	
ENGROSSED HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4204	
The legislature has proposed a constitutional amendment on school district tax levies.	
This amendment would provide for approval of school district excess property tax levies by simple majority vote of participating voters, and would eliminate supermajority approval requirements based on voter turnout in previous elections.	
Should this constitutional amendment be:	
APPROVED	←
REJECTED	←
Proposed to the People by the Legislature Amendment to the State Constitution	
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4215	
The legislature has proposed a constitutional amendment on investment of higher education permanent funds.	
This amendment would authorize the investment of money in higher education permanent funds as permitted by law, and would permit investment in stocks or bonds issued by any company, if authorized by law.	
Should this constitutional amendment be:	
APPROVED	←
REJECTED	←
PORT OF BELLINGHAM	
COMMISSIONER DIST NO. 3	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JIM JORGENSEN	NP
(Write-In)	←
WHATCOM COUNTY	
COUNTY EXECUTIVE	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
LOIS GARLICK	NP
PETE KREMEN	NP
(Write-In)	←

COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 1 POSITION B	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
BOB KELLY	NP
CHRIS HATCH	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 2 POSITION B	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
KEN MANN	NP
SAM R. CRAWFORD	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNTY COUNCIL DISTRICT NO. 3 POSITION B	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
BARBARA BRENNER	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNTY ASSESSOR	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
KEITH WILLNAUER	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNTY AUDITOR	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
SHIRLEY FORSLOF	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNTY SHERIFF	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
BILL ELFO	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNTY TREASURER	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JOE ELENBAAS	NP
STEVE OLIVER	NP
(Write-In)	←
CITY	
CITY OF BELLINGHAM	
CITY OF BELLINGHAM CHARTER AMENDMENT RELATED TO GENDER NEUTRAL LANGUAGE By Bellingham City Council	
The Bellingham City Council has proposed a charter amendment concerning gender neutral language in the City Charter. If approved, Section 1.09 would be added to the Charter and the City Council would be authorized, by ordinance, to amend the language in all sections of the City Charter that refer to gender to provide that those references are gender neutral.	
Should this amendment be approved?	
YES	←
NO	←

CITY OF BELLINGHAM	
MAYOR	
SHORT & FULL 4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
DAN McSHANE	NP
DAN PIKE	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNCIL WARD 1	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JACK WEISS	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNCIL WARD 3	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
LARRY FARR	NP
BARRY BUCHANAN	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNCIL WARD 4	
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
STAN SNAPP	NP
DAMON J. GRAY	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNCIL WARD 5	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
BILL GEYER	NP
TERRY BORNEMANN	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNCIL AT-LARGE	
2 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
LOUISE BJORNSON	NP
MICHAEL LILLQUIST	NP
(Write-In)	←
CITY OF BLAINE	
COUNCIL WARD 1 POSITION 1	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JOHN LIEBERT	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNCIL WARD 2 POSITION 3	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
SCOTT DODD	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNCIL WARD 2 POSITION 4	
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
HARRY K. ROBINSON	NP
MAX SHELTON	NP
(Write-In)	←
COUNCIL WARD 3 POSITION 5	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
DAVID GALLION	NP
JASON OVERSTREET	NP
(Write-In)	←

Sample Ballot

CITY OF EVERSON		
EVERSON CITY COUNCIL POSITION 4		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
JOHN PERRY	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
EVERSON CITY COUNCIL POSITION 5		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
JIM BAKER	NP	← →
ANDY ROWLSON	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
CITY OF FERNDALE		
MAYOR		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
GARY S. JENSEN	NP	← →
JERRY LANDCASTLE	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
CITY OF FERNDALE		
FERNDALE CITY COUNCIL POSITION 1		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
SUSAN A. COLE	NP	← →
STEVE MALPEZZI	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
FERNDALE CITY COUNCIL POSITION 2		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
LLOYD ZIMMERMAN	NP	← →
MELVIN HANSEN	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
FERNDALE CITY COUNCIL POSITION 3		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
MIKE REILLY	NP	← →
CONNIE FARIA	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
FERNDALE CITY COUNCIL POSITION 4		
SHORT & FULL 4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
JIM ELLIOTT	NP	← →
PAUL INGRAM	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
CITY OF LYNDEN		
LYNDEN CITY COUNCIL POSITION 1		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
GARY L. BODE	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
LYNDEN CITY COUNCIL POSITION 2		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
RONALD DeVALOIS	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
LYNDEN CITY COUNCIL POSITION 3		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
GERALD E. KUIKEN	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
LYNDEN CITY COUNCIL POSITION 4		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
DOUG ADELSTEIN	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
LYNDEN CITY COUNCIL POSITION 6		
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One	
TOBEY GELDER	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
CITY OF NOOKSACK		
NOOKSACK CITY COUNCIL POSITION 4		
SHORT & FULL 4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
SCOTT A. BODVEN	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
NOOKSACK CITY COUNCIL POSITION 5		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
MARSHALL S. JUDY	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		

CITY OF SUMAS		
SUMAS CITY COUNCIL POSITION 3		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
RICHARD ADAMS	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
SUMAS CITY COUNCIL POSITION 4		
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One	
MICHAEL QUINN	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
SUMAS CITY COUNCIL POSITION 5		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
GARY DeBONT	NP	← →
DON PETERSON	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
BELLINGHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 501		
DIRECTOR POSITION 1		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
MICHAEL JAY	NP	← →
ANN WHITMYER	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR POSITION 2		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
KEN GASS	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR POSITION 3		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
EMILY BARNETT HIGHLEYMAN	NP	← →
KELLY M. BASHAW	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
FERNDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 502		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 1		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
JERRY FERRIER	NP	← →
JOHN SAFFORD HRUBY	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 2		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
STUART McKAY	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 3		
SHORT & FULL 4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
BERNIE THOMAS	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
BLAINE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 503		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 1		
SHORT & FULL 4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
CHUCK D. GREEN	NP	← →
CAMPBELL McClUSKY	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 2		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
TODD BERGE	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 4		
SHORT & FULL 4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
CHARLES GIBSON	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
LYNDEN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 504		
DIRECTOR POSITION 1		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
TERESA L. CAMFIELD	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR POSITION 2		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
JOHN M. KRIEG	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		

DIRECTOR POSITION 3		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
LARRY KORTHUIS	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR POSITION 5		
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One	
STEVE HORTEGAS	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
MERIDIAN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 505		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 4		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
JUDY BOXX	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 5		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
MARY MATTISON	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
NOOKSACK VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 506		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 3		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
CHERYL THORNTON	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 4		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
CHRIS HAUGEN	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 5		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
MARK OLSON	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
MT BAKER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 507		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 2		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
ELLEN DODSON	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 3		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
TRISH HART	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 5		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
RUSS PFEIFFER-HOYT	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
SCHOOL DISTRICT		
CONCRETE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 11		
<p>PROPOSITION NO. 1 CONCRETE SCHOOL DISTRICT DISSOLUTION AND REAPPORTIONMENT OF DIRECTORS' DISTRICTS</p> <p>The Board of Directors of Concrete School District No. 11, Skagit County, Washington, adopted Resolution No. 897 concerning the dissolution and reapportionment of its directors' districts. If approved, this proposition would authorize the district to dissolve its five existing directors' districts and reapportion the district into three director's districts and with two directors at large. Should this proposition be:</p>		
APPROVED ← →		
REJECTED ← →		
CONCRETE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 11		
DIRECTOR DISTRICT 5		
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
MERLENE BULLER	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 1		
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3		
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
GARY D. ALMY	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		

WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 2		
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3		
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
RON SWANSON	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 4		
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3		
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
MARY BETH NEAL	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
PT. ROBERTS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 5		
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3		
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
DAVID GELLATLY	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 6		
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3		
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
BRIAN C. MARTIN	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
FIRE DISTRICT		
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 7		
<p>PROPOSITION NO. 1 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$4,500,000</p> <p>The Board of Fire Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 7 adopted Resolution #07-0626-01 concerning fire protection district facility bonds. This proposition authorizes the District to modernize District headquarter's building, site improvements, make other capital improvements to District facilities, acquire fire fighting and life safety equipment and acquire, construct and equip new training facilities, to issue \$4,500,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 20 years to finance such improvements, and to levy property taxes annually in excess of regular property tax levies to repay such bonds, provided in Resolution #07-0626-01.</p> <p>Should this proposition be:</p>		
APPROVED ← →		
REJECTED ← →		
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 7		
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3		
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
MIKE MURPHY	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
FIRE DISTRICT		
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8		
<p>PROPOSITION NO. 1 AUTHORIZING REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY</p> <p>The Board of Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 8 adopted Resolution No. 2007-09 concerning a proposition to increase its regular property tax levy for maintenance and operations to an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2008 and to authorize setting the limit factor at 100% plus the percentage change in Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton Area (1982-84=100) reported for August of the levy year for each of the five succeeding years. Should this Proposition be:</p>		
APPROVED ← →		
REJECTED ← →		
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8		
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 1		
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
ROGER F. BUSWELL	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 2		
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
TOM STEWART	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 9		
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3		
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One	
WINTON WEFER	NP	← →
<small>(Write-In)</small>		

Sample Ballot

WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 10	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 1	
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
GLENN OLTMAN NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
ROBERT V. EKDAHL NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 11	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
ROBERT BUSCH NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 14	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 1	
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
LARRY (SKIP) MOORE NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 16	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
BRIAN KNUTZEN NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 17	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
MICHAEL BURNETT NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 18	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
TARI A. CASWELL NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
GLACIER FIRE & RESCUE DISTRICT NO. 19	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
STEVE SIEKKINEN NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 21	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
ROGER HAWLEY NP	← ←
KATHY STAUFFER NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
WATER DISTRICT NO. 2	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
MAXINE A. VISSER NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
PT ROBERTS WATER DISTRICT NO. 4	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
BILL H. MEURSING NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
BIRCH BAY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT NO. 8	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
PATRICK ALESSE NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
LAKE WHATCOM WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT	
COMMISSIONER DISTRICT NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
DEBORAH KINGSLEY LAMBERT NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
SAMISH WATER DISTRICT	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
HERB BARKER NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←

WATER DISTRICT NO. 13	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 1	
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
BRIAN DORN NP	← ←
ROBERT VANDENHAAK NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JACQUE FOWLER NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 4	
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
SEAN D. WILSON NP	← ←
RICHARD A. WHITSON NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
GLACIER WATER DISTRICT NO. 14	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JAMES EVANGELISTA NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
ACME WATER DISTRICT NO. 18	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 1	
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
EUGENE ROBERTS NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
GEORGE W. ENGHOLM NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
EVERGREEN WATER - SEWER DISTRICT NO. 19	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 1	
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
RICHARD BANDEL NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
DOUG CORNING NP	← ←
NORMA OTTO NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 1	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
HENRY M. MALENG NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 3	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JAMES (JIM) WILLIAMS NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 4	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 2	
4 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
HERMAN L. JONELI NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
ROBERT V. KRATZIG NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 5	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
MELVIN KUIPERS NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 6	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JAMES POTTER NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 7	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
SHORT & FULL 6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JAMES P. LARSEN NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 8	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
ERICA LOREEN NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←

CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 9	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
JAMES S. ACKERMAN NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 10	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
GLENN BOODEY NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 11	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
CHRIS BURK NP	← ←
DONALD R. HARVEY NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT	
PT. ROBERTS PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 1	
<p>PROPOSITION NO. 1 POINT ROBERTS PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT #1</p> <p>Shall a tax, of approximately \$0.07 (seven cents), per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (based on 100% of true and fair value) to provide \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars) for operation and maintenance purposes be levied for the Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1 in 2007 for collection in 2008 and 2009 upon all taxable property within the District, all as specified in Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1, Resolution One?</p>	
LEVY YES	← ←
LEVY NO	← ←
PT ROBERTS PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 1	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 1	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
MARK ROBBINS NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 2	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
BEV GRIFFITH NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 5	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
LINDA HUGHES NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT	
NORTHWEST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 2	
<p>NORTHWEST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT 2 PROPOSITION NO. 1 AUTHORIZING REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY</p> <p>The Board of Commissioners of Northwest Park and Recreation District No. 2 adopted Resolution No. 1 concerning a proposition to assess a regular property tax levy for a two year period of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation to preserve natural areas, water quality, wildlife habitat and support parks, bike trails and recreational programs in Blaine and Birch Bay. Should this Proposition be:</p>	
APPROVED	← ←
REJECTED	← ←
LYNDEN REGIONAL PARK & RECREATION DISTRICT NO. 3	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 2	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
RON VAN SOEST NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
RICHARD L. WALDEMAR NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 4	
2 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
TERRY DeVALOIS NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←

COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 5	
4 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
BOB FRASER NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 304	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 3	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
GARY L. KENT NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 5	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
ROBERT M. STANLEY NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
PT ROBERTS PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT	
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 1	
4 YEAR UNEXPIRED TERM	Vote For One
LAWRENCE H. WHEELER NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←
COMMISSIONER POSITION NO. 2	
6 YEAR TERM	Vote For One
CHARLES R. (DICK) WILLIAMS NP	← ←
(Write-In)	← ←

Where Can I Deposit My Ballot?

If you do not wish to return your ballot by mail, the following ballot drop box locations will be available:

Ballot Drop Box Locations Open 20 Days Prior To Election Day

Whatcom County Auditor's Office

Whatcom County Courthouse
311 Grand Ave., Suite 103
Bellingham, WA

HOURS: Monday – Friday
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Election Day Only: 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

OR

Curbside Ballot Drop Box

311 Grand Avenue
(near Courthouse Rotunda)
Bellingham, WA

OPEN: 20 Days Prior to Election
Election Day: Closes at 8:00 p.m.



Ballot Drop Box Locations – Election Day ONLY

DROP BOX HOURS:	7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Blaine City Hall:	344 H Street, Blaine, WA
Everson Fire Station:	101 East Main St., Everson, WA
Ferndale Library:	2222 Main St., Ferndale, WA
Kendall Fire Station:	7528 Kendall Rd., Deming, WA
Lynden Public Library:	216 4th St., Lynden, WA

If You Have Not Received Your Ballot

If you have not received your ballot by October 22, 2007, please contact the Whatcom County Elections Division at (360) 676-6742 or TTY (360) 738-4555, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**Washington State Law Prohibits Ballots Deposited
After 8:00 p.m. on Election Day From Being Counted.**

Voter Information

Are You A Registered Voter?

If you are a United States citizen and are registering to vote for the first time in the State of Washington, you will need to do so in person at the Whatcom County Auditor's Office no later than October 22, 2007, in order to vote in the November 6, 2007 General Election.

Need a Replacement Ballot?

If your ballot is damaged or lost, a replacement ballot may be obtained by calling the Whatcom County Elections Division at (360) 676-6742 or TTY (360) 738-4555, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Your Right to Privacy

Every voter has the right to vote his or her ballot in secret. Any person attempting to vote when he or she is not entitled, or who falsely signs the affidavit, shall be guilty of a felony, punishable by imprisonment for not more than five years or a fine of not more than ten thousand dollars, or both fine and imprisonment.

Where Are The State Measures?

State measures will appear on the General Election Ballot. The General Election will be held on November 6, 2007. A statewide voters' pamphlet, prepared by the Secretary of State's Office, will be delivered to every household in mid-October with information on measures. This information will also be available on the website: www.vote.wa.gov

Candidate and Committee Statement Editing

The Local Voters' Pamphlet includes statements submitted by candidates for local offices and committees "For" and "Against" ballot measures. Statements printed in this pamphlet are the opinions of the authors and have not been checked for spelling, factual or grammatical accuracy by any official government agency.

Who Is Eligible To Vote?

To register to vote, you must be:

- A United States citizen
- 18 years of age on or before the next election
- A legal resident of the State of Washington
- Not currently denied civil rights as a result of a felony conviction

How Can I Register?

A citizen may register to vote by completing a Mail-In Voter Registration Form and mailing it to the preprinted return address on the form, or by completing the form in person at the Whatcom County Auditor's Office, Election Division.

Where Can I Obtain A Form?

- Whatcom County Auditor's Office, Whatcom County Courthouse, 311 Grand Ave., Suite 103, Bellingham, WA
- The Mail-In Voter Registration Form can be downloaded from the Secretary of State's website www.secstate.wa.gov
- City and Town Halls
- Regional libraries, public schools, and City of Bellingham Fire Department
- Most state and federal agencies (Social Security, Congressional, etc.)

Voter Information

When Can I Change My Voter Record?

Citizens may register to vote at any time. The registration must be postmarked or received at least 30 days prior to an election in order to vote in that election.

A person that is not currently registered to vote in the State of Washington may register in person at the Auditor's Office Elections Division up to 15 days prior to an election.

Name Change

A name change for voter registration requires completion of a new registration form. Information indicating the former name, address, and signature plus the new name and signature must be provided.

Let Us Know When You Move

If your mailing or residence address has changed, your voter record needs to be updated. You can easily update your record by one of the following two ways:

- Online at www.whatcomcounty.us/auditor
- Call Auditor's Office, Elections Division at (360) 676-6742 or TTY (360) 738-4555

A new voter registration card will be mailed after your address change is processed.

When to Cancel Registrations

One of the challenges we face is keeping track of registered voters who have moved out of Whatcom County or who have recently passed away.

- Your signature is required to cancel your voter registration.
- If a family member has passed away, contact the Elections Division and a form will be mailed for you to complete.

Questions?

If you have questions, please feel free to call the Whatcom County Auditor's Office, Election Division at (360) 676-6742 or TTY (360) 738-4555, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

SPECIAL NOTICE

When Will Vote By Mail Ballots Be Mailed?

Vote by mail ballots are scheduled to be mailed starting October 17, 2007.

If you have not received your ballot by October 22, 2007, please contact the Whatcom County Elections Division at (360) 676-6742 or TTY (360) 738-4555, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

BALLOTS WITH LATE POSTMARKS CANNOT BE COUNTED

MAIL YOUR BALLOT EARLY!

Remember that your ballot needs to be postmarked no later than Election Day, November 6, 2007, to be counted. We recommend, however, mailing your ballot no later than November 5th.



Jim Jorgensen

Non-Partisan

As your elected representative, my objective and vision is to strive for an even stronger partnership with the City of Bellingham to transform the GP waterfront into a crown jewel for the citizens of Whatcom County and our visitors. What a wonderful legacy for our children, grandchildren and beyond!

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WHATCOM COUNTY

County Executive



Lois Garlick

Non-Partisan

Lois Garlick's work to protect natural resources began with her leading role on the State Shoreline Management Commission, followed by her work on the planning commission during the 1990's. Her years of administrative experience managing WWU's science department was extensive, involving budget and staffing responsibilities, and resources planning and allocation. Lois promises to work with the county council to hire qualified professionals to head important departments and fill key staff positions. She plans to follow the County Comprehensive Plan and, if needed, help council, staff and voters update that plan. Planning and zoning laws will be enforced fairly. She will work to implement state-required concurrency for

infrastructure and services for subdivisions, with fewer taxpayer subsidies. She will preserve open space and farmland. When speaking about natural resources and drinking water supplies, Lois says, "It is easier to protect than restore." This is a crucial election and we are fortunate to have Lois Garlick as a choice for county executive. Lois was awarded ReSources' first Lifetime Hero Award. She was inducted into the Northwest Women's Hall of Fame for her achievements. We have a real choice this time; let's vote to put Lois Garlick to work for us.

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Pete Kremen

Non-Partisan

I've devoted my adult life to serving, protecting and enhancing our community. We are ranked the second most livable place in the nation, with good reason. However, we must ensure that growth will not detract from the overall quality of life that we all enjoy and cherish. I will continue to preserve and add to our open spaces, protect farmland and, only where it makes sense,

allow managed growth while restricting sprawl.

My public service experience in the State Legislature and as County Executive has forged core values. These include keeping our neighborhoods and public places safe, protecting our environment, Lake Whatcom and other precious resources.

I'll remain active working with civic and business leaders to facili-

tate sustainable economic opportunities, generate family wage jobs and help keep our economy vibrant. I am committed to addressing our transportation needs with innovation and alternatives that are bike/pedestrian friendly and will reduce paving needs.

I will sustain a county government that is:

- Open & accessible
- Customer service oriented
- Collaborative
- Fiscally prudent

Fidela, my wife of 35 years, and I truly love Whatcom County. I would be deeply honored to continue serving you as County Executive.

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**Bob Kelly**

Non-Partisan

As a father —, tribal member, and a community leader on natural resource issues I will bring strong leadership and a new perspective to the Whatcom County Council.

I believe that it is important that we ensure that what we find wonderful about Whatcom County remains by managing growth responsibly, protecting Bellingham's public

water source, and restoring our salmon runs.

Our population will continue to grow but we must make informed decisions about how we grow as a community. We need to leave a legacy for the future of high quality drinking water in Lake Whatcom, healthy populations of salmon in the Nooksack Basin

and vibrant farms from the edge of Bellingham to the foothills of Mt. Baker. We can only do that by handling growth responsibly and thoughtfully.

For 10 years I've worked on salmon, forest and water issues at the local, state and federal level and would be honored to serve you on the Whatcom County Council.

I have the honor of being endorsed by the Whatcom County Democrats, former Whatcom County Councilmember Dan McShane, and Whatcom County Councilmember Laurie Caskey Schreiber!

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**Chris Hatch**

Non-Partisan

Thank you voter for your interest in this election. As a fifth generation and lifetime resident of Whatcom County, I want to continue working on important local issues that impact all our citizens. I have had the pleasure for the past decade and a half working on important local issues, serving on the:

- Whatcom County Board of Equalization,
- Whatcom County Open Space Advisory Committee,
- Community Transportation Advisory Group,
- Whatcom County Flood Control Zone District Advisory Committee, and the
- Acme/Van Zandt Flood Control Subzone Advisory Committee

I am running for council as a natural extension of my previous work on local issues for our county, coupled with my longstanding interest in the work and my skill set to continue to be effective.

We are all concerned about the future of Whatcom County. We can preserve our quality of life, while making good choices that lead to exceptional results. Important choices lie ahead for our community, and I want to ensure citizen involvement in these choices.

I trust citizens understand the importance of electing to the council the most qualified and most effective community leader to represent all citizens of our county---Chris Hatch.

VOTE CHRIS HATCH

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**Ken Mann**

Non-Partisan

I love Whatcom County and I care what happens here. I will put in the time, energy, and hard work necessary to keep our community strong. My priorities will include preserving working farms, forests, and watersheds; supporting local small businesses; and improving transportation and affordable housing options.

Most importantly, we have to do a better job of managing growth. As Chairman of the County Planning Commission, I have the experience to protect our families and communities from irresponsible development. I support wise stewardship of our environment and resource lands, and I will safeguard your tax dollars by requiring new development to pay its fair share.

Our future depends on smart, healthy growth that respects private property and reflects our shared goals.

I envision a county that we are proud to hand to our children and grandchildren - where they can hunt, fish, camp, and bike; where they can farm the land; where they know their neighbors and where they have a say in their communities.

From Lynden to Bellingham to Glacier, I will work hard to keep Whatcom County the place we love to call home.

Endorsements: International Association of Fire Fighters, Washington Conservation Voters, SEIU, and Whatcom County Democrats.

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WHATCOM COUNTY

County Council District No. 2, Position B (cont.)



Sam R. Crawford

Non-Partisan

After 8 years of serving on the County Council, I've gained a deep concern for the well-being of the people of Whatcom County. Elected officials should serve as a voice for all the people they represent. I have a sincere respect for the office and have strived to put the interests of the citizens I serve before those with special interests.

I spend my time listening to regular folks — people who work hard at their jobs and are busy tending to their families and running kids to soccer practice. They don't often attend meetings or speak up on government issues but still care about the government decisions that affect their lives.

Local government must operate in the most efficient manner possible. We must make sure our existing regulations are clear and that we implement new rules only when necessary. I base my decisions on the facts surrounding an issue and with regard to how the outcome will help people or improve life in our community.

I am proud of my role on the Council and my voting record for the past 8 years. I pledge to continue listening to and addressing those issues that are important to you.

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WHATCOM COUNTY

County Council District No. 3, Position B



Barbara Brenner

Non-Partisan

USA Weekend Magazine described Barbara Brenner as, "...the hero next door...sacrifices long-term for the common good...thinks of others constantly...creative, energetic, independent-minded...takes big risks to make things better."

Spearheaded efforts to: reduce health risks, curb unfair cable practices, improve phone

service, reform regressive property taxes, create affordable housing—still working hard on these and more.

Persistent, investigative, responsive (sometimes irritating, but not intentionally).

Everyone's issues are important to me! In 16 years as a councilmember

I've never taken endorsements and owe no favors. It's about trust, not political doublespeak! Know your candidate! Call me at 384-2762.

Some activities since 1982: Owner/operator Heritage Furniture refinishing; Bellingham Herald Health and Social Services Newsmaker of the Year; Leadership America Environmental Forum panelist; Certified Erosion Control Lead course; Trees for Streams Program; Master Gardener; Master Composter/Master Recycler; many Low Impact Development (LID) classes; home on Re-Store Recycled Homes and Sustainable Connections LID Tours; RSVP volunteer; Hovander House docent; Sean Humphries Hospice House and Black Mountain Forestry Center boards; Rome and Haynie Granges and more...

I am so lucky to be wife of Ed Morris and mom of Wes Brenner and Collin Morris. They should get medals for their undying support! Please vote for me!

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Phone: (360) 384-2762

WHATCOM COUNTY

County Assessor



Keith Willnauer

Non-Partisan

The role of the Assessor can be easily misunderstood. As your Assessor, I do not determine or raise property taxes. Property Taxes are set by individual taxing districts and directly by voters. The Assessor simply administers the fair and equitable distribution of who's responsible for what share. I will administer Washington State

tax law as mandated by the Washington State Legislature. My guiding principle is that no one is more important than taxpayers. The Assessor's Office is really your office, we are your employees. I am committed to accomplish goals and objectives with a taxpayer responsive analysis of cost, intelligent alternatives, customer priorities, and practicality. As your elected professional, I will promote

the concept of transparency in the operation of property tax. Future tax proposals must be accompanied by clear information and analysis. I will be direct and open with information. I will maintain an always-open door.

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Shirley Forslof

Non-Partisan

It has been an honor to serve as Whatcom County Auditor for the last 20 years. My primary goal is to provide the citizens of Whatcom County with the most cost effective, efficient service possible.

I am extremely proud of our recent accomplishments:

- Implemented* new voter registration management software to provide a stronger voter registration system.
- Established* the first Citizens Elections Advisory Committee.
- Replaced* the punch-card voting system with an optical scan voting system that provides an auditable paper ballot.
- Conducted* all mail elections resulting in an 8-15% increase in voter turnout.

Utilized technology to redact Social Security Numbers from recorded documents in preparation for documents to be available on the web.
Converted images from 1992 to 1996 from microfilm to digital format to provide easier access to official records.
Provided access to the Department of Licensing web site for credit card renewal of tabs.
Performed financial related and performance internal auditing services for County departments.

I am committed to providing an open-door policy to the citizens of Whatcom County.

I enthusiastically look forward to the implementation of new technological advances in the Auditor's Office and to provide excellence in customer service. Thank you for your continued support.

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Bill Elfo

Non-Partisan

Sheriff Bill Elfo has over 33 years experience in law enforcement leadership and holds BS/MS degrees in Criminal Justice, a law degree (JD) and is a member of the Washington Bar. He sought the Office of Sheriff in 2003 to solve problems involving jail capacity, law enforcement availability, drunken driving and methamphetamine laboratories.

Upon taking Office, he quickly began implementing solutions. Neighborhood offices, technology, scheduling adjustments and volunteer programs increased deputy availability. Methamphetamine laboratories were dramatically reduced and a highly trained Special Response Team is equipped to respond to crisis. Effective partnerships were

formed with First-Responder agencies and Homeland Security. Sheriff Elfo led the "Jail Yes" campaign, the interim jail opened and the new main jail is planned. Wanted criminals and drunk drivers are no longer released on the street because of jail limitations. Whenever possible, mentally ill offenders are diverted to treatment. Inmates work in parks and forests and an employment referral service assists with reintegration into the community. Sheriff Elfo is President of the State Sheriffs' Association. He has testified on behalf of our County before Congress and was appointed by Governor Christine Gregoire and Attorney General Rob McKenna to serve on committees addressing public safety in Washington.

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Joe Elenbaas

Non-Partisan

Volunteer service has been Joe's record. Following distinguished service in the military, he returned to Whatcom County, his family's home since pre-statehood.

Working in Banking, he learned the strict duties of protecting other people's money. Obeying the law is a must. When Elenbaas noticed our State Auditor had rendered

multiple findings about recent problems in this area, he knew a change was needed!

As your Treasurer, Elenbaas would require proper payment receipting, would log all transfers of cash, would ensure that computer access to adjust accounts is properly restricted; remedying all problems/violations listed in Auditors Report #71332 for two years running.

Joe knows that protecting hundreds of millions of your tax dollars, does not allow for these kinds of oversights. Every penny must be accounted for properly.

Six times, over a span of twenty seven years, Elenbaas has served you - as Planning Commissioner, a Freeholder that wrote our County Charter, thrice as Charter Review Commissioner, and as State Senator. He has not asked for, nor accepted, pay for this service.

Joe Elenbaas has the will, the experience, and asks for the opportunity, to fix this problem area. Please Vote ELENBAAS For Treasurer. You'll not be disappointed!

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Steve Oliver

Non-Partisan

I have the proven experience, leadership and vision to step into the position of County Treasurer ready to lead.

Proven Experience –

Served 8+ years as Chief Deputy Treasurer for current County Treasurer Barbara Cory.

• Managed and safeguarded over \$1 billion

in financial transactions annually, invested daily \$250 million on behalf of taxpayers and 50+ public entities in Whatcom County. • Protected the public’s trust and served taxpayers effectively as my highest priority. • Endorsed by: Whatcom County Treasurer Barbara Cory, Washington State Treasurer Michael J. Murphy, Over 30 County Treasurers statewide, Whatcom County Democrats and Joint Council of Teamsters #28.

Proven Community Leadership –

Two-term Ferndale City Councilperson • Ferndale Boys and Girls Club Board President • Whatcom County Commission Against Domestic Violence

Vision – Goals that will continue to enhance operations and provide valued service to taxpayers:

STRONG TREASURY MANAGEMENT – the foundation of responsible government; **ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY –** follow the law and fully report all activity; **EFFICIENCY AND INNOVATION –** work smarter with technology for taxpayers; **TAXPAYER ADVOCACY –** no financial gimmicks and no unanswered questions.

Vote Steve Oliver for County Treasurer - proven experience, leadership and vision counts.

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Dan McShane

Non-Partisan

My vision is a Bellingham with truly open government: where citizens are active in decision making, diverse ideas are welcomed and spending is careful and transparent. As your mayor I’ll bring a new way forward:

• An Office of Neighborhoods to plan together for growth and community development,

- Town Hall budget meetings to hear from you first about spending priorities,
- A Lake Whatcom Department focused on action to protect clean drinking water.

I’m a proven leader. In my seven years on the County Council I took action to protect drinking water, farmland and shorelines and to roll back

sprawl. I funded basic services while holding the line on property taxes.

I’m a successful, hard-working local business owner. Ten years ago I started a geology firm in Bellingham and it’s expanded every year.

In 1989, after 5 years teaching public school elsewhere, my wife and I moved back to Bellingham and raised our family in the York neighborhood. We have a long commitment to community, to our neighborhood and to building a better Bellingham.

I’m proud to be endorsed by Washington Conservation Voters and Bellingham Firefighters.

I’ll lead Bellingham with integrity and vision. I’d be honored by your vote.

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Dan Pike

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Many issues in this election have been talked about since I moved to Bellingham in 1982, yet these problems persist. Lake Whatcom, the waterfront, and our neighborhoods deserve appropriate attention and implemented solutions. To move forward, we need new leadership. I have the critical administrative and political

experience, with a proven ability to build consensus and implement answers. I managed a \$500 million dollar project through the loss of \$300 million after I-695, keeping partners at the table, securing new funds, and moving forward on schedule. Another effort implemented intercounty bus service despite transit agencies’ doubt. My approach to problem-solving is creative persistence.

Bellingham is a good place, with the ingredients to be great. To achieve greatness, we need elected officials who can build consensus and implement shared vision. I have proven those skills repeatedly. I am the only candidate skilled in both vision and administration. Join me in moving Bellingham forward to a stronger economy, a cleaner environment and a more vibrant community. Working with my strengths in consensus building, imagination, persistence, and implementation, together we will build a better Bellingham.

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Jack Weiss

Non-Partisan

In my 20 years in Bellingham, our community has changed dramatically and is poised in the next few years to make yet another major adjustment. As these changes occur, Bellingham needs leadership to accentuate the positives and diminish the negatives.

My career background has been leading non-profit organizations involved in environmental work, affordable housing, and education. Currently, I am the President of the Birchwood Neighborhood Association and serve on the Greenways Advisory Committee. As Whatcom County's Recycling Coordinator in the 1990's, I set up programs like countywide curbside recycling and came up with the idea and funding for what is now known as the Re Store.

My campaign issues are 1. protecting our health through better management of Lake Whatcom drinking water, 2. providing predictable and responsible growth and zoning that stops sprawl and creates vitality in urban centers and neighborhoods, and 3. insisting that the waterfront redevelopment Master Plan and Development Agreement with the Port reflects the deep-seated input from the community.

I will offer leadership on these issues with vision, accountability and fairness. I have the energy and willingness to investigate, analyze, and make well-reasoned decisions. I ask for your support.

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Larry Farr

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I believe that every citizen has a voice, and when represented well, your thoughts can impact our community and make a difference.

We have concerns about growth and livable wage jobs, about the watershed and how it is managed, the ever changing waterfront, our economy, transportation and housing.

Each concern takes strong leadership to represent you.

Since 1989 I have served the community as: Founder and six years as Board President of the Downtown Renaissance Network · Chair of Umbrella Fest · 15 years as Director, co-Director and National Trainer of Royal Family Kids Camp · President Evergreen Christian

Schools · 16 years as Director for Catholic Community Services · Co-Chair of the Railroad Avenue District Merchants Association · 10 years an Adjunct at Western · Chair of FEMA EFS Board · Chair Bellingham Parking Commission

I have successfully established programs and business to support our community and I will bring my strong leadership to the Council. I will listen to what you say and put your thoughts into action.

This is your city and by serving on the City Council – I will to represent you well.

Vote for Larry Farr, Bellingham City Council. **"Farr and Away the Best Choice"**

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Barry Buchanan

Non-Partisan

I'm invested in this community. I grew up here, raised my family here, and want to participate in creating a future for this community that would lead my children and their children to want to raise families here too.

My years of serving as Chairman of the Lettered Streets Neighborhood Association, as a Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Representative, and Chairman of the Whatcom County Democratic Party has given me the opportunity to connect and work with the people of this community on issues of importance to them.

Like many of you, I want to see a Bellingham that addresses smart growth with community vision to preserve the strengths of our local

neighborhoods, managing growth responsibly. One that provides an environment that supports business, encourages recreation, and attracts visitors to bolster our economy and quality of life.

We need a long-term initiative to address issues relating to Lake Whatcom to provide us with healthy drinking water for generations to come.

I expect a lot from the people I work with, but I expect even more from myself. I will work hard to ensure that I hear your issues and concerns and involve you in working with us to govern our community.

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Stan Snapp

Non-Partisan

I came to Bellingham with my family in 1967 to attend Western. I joined the Bellingham Fire Department in 1974, retiring after 25 years of protecting and keeping our citizens safe. I spent 17 years as Division Chief in charge of training and facilities. I am proud of having kept our firefighters injury free in all those years of training exercises. I also managed the planning and construction of the Broadway headquarters fire station. The project came in on time and under budget. While with the Fire Department, I spent many years serving boards at United Way, Red Cross.

Three main issues stand out for me in this campaign:

- Keeping our drinking water safe
- Supporting our neighborhoods as they help us manage growth
- We need to be getting good value for our tax dollars

Since retirement, I've served on community boards, Greenways, Parks Master Planning, Watershed Advisory Board and Parks board. My Parks Master planning effort involved months of weekly meetings and I'm proud of the plan we produced.

I am a consensus builder and a leader; I've chaired most boards on which I've served. I am the best candidate to complete Joan Beardsley's term.

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Damon J. Gray

Non-Partisan

I'm proud to be running for City Council, Ward 4, and honored by the support I've received already through the Primary from residents across the political spectrum.

As a leader in software development, my job is to find creative, cost-effective solutions to difficult problems, and to ensure that solutions implemented today are extensible and

effective for years to come, and that those solutions do not carry with them any unintended consequences.

Bringing new ideas and a fresh perspective for Bellingham's future, I will employ that same forward-thinking, professional management approach, analyzing proposals, asking the tough questions, requir-

ing the best efforts that our professional staff, with public input, can provide, to make sound decisions once sufficient facts are in, so that we can provide a vibrant and lasting legacy for our children, and our children's children.

Working together, we will achieve our community's goals, from maintaining public safety and economic prosperity, to managing change in order to protect our natural environment and preserve our quality of life. My priorities include fiscal accountability, waterfront cleanup, restoration of Lake Whatcom, and making city government more open and accessible to the electorate.

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Bill Geyer

Non-Partisan

"Bellingham voters are asking for change, for a new 5th Ward City Councilor with experience and skills focused on our local needs. My career includes 30 years as a professional urban planner and 16 years as a business owner/residential builder, with accreditation in business banking/credit analysis, public sector

finance/budgeting, and environmental management. I served as Bellingham's Planning Director from 1985-91 and as a State Shoreline Hearings Board alternate.

I've lead the fundraising drive for a new Bellingham Food Bank, and served on the boards of the Chamber of Commerce, Visitors Bureau, Alaska Ferry Task Force, and our church.

I am a 22 year Bellingham resident. My wife and I have three grown children and three grandchildren.

I will Listen, Weigh the Facts and Make Informed Decisions to achieve these Priorities:

A clean Lake Whatcom, protected with cost-effective solutions safeguarding our water supply; Safe, family-friendly neighborhoods; A downtown waterfront free of environmental hazards, ready for re-development; Greenways and parks access for every neighborhood; A vibrant economy creating career opportunities, consumer choices; City spending priorities that respect limited tax dollars.

I would be honored to receive your vote for Bill Geyer, City Council 5th Ward."

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Terry Bornemann

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I am very proud of the work that I have done on behalf of the citizens of Bellingham over the last 8 years. I have worked hard to listen to citizens and represent their issues on the Council. The growth that is taking place has caused many challenges, particularly, how to accommodate growth while protecting the quality and character of our individual neighborhoods and other

quality of life amenities that make Bellingham such a livable city.

I provide a unique perspective on the council. I am the only council member with school age children. I also work as a probation officer, working with at risk children and families. I understand the challenges confronting today's working families. I am a Viet Nam

Veteran. I have worked with senior citizen programs. I am Co-chair of the Countywide Affordable Housing Taskforce

My priorities for the next 4 years include increasing protection of the Lake Whatcom Reservoir; develop a plan for the central waterfront that provides for save clean-up, and development that we can all be proud of; and increased neighborhood centered planning and protection for our neighborhoods against the effects of growth. Working together, we can make Bellingham a city of true distinction.

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Louise Bjornson

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I am proud to be known as a City Council member who listens and works hard for our community. Collaborative problem solving is the key to preserving and protecting Bellingham's exceptional Quality of Life.

To meet the challenges of growth, we must continue to work together for:

• Safe, Livable Neighborhoods • Clean Water for Today and for the Future • A Dynamic Downtown and Waterfront • A Diversified Economy • Parks, Trails and Recreational Opportunities

I have lived in Bellingham for 41 years and graduated magna cum laude from WWU in 1991 (BA, Science Education). Before election to the City Council, I served on the Bellingham Planning Com-

mission and the Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission.

A Proven Record: Environmental Hero Award, RESources 2007 • Taylor Street Dock, a 20 year effort • Lake Whatcom Watershed, over 1200 acres purchased • Greenways I, II, III • Neighborhood Parks, Sidewalks & Trails • Farmers Market at Depot Market Square • Bellingham Curbside Recycling, Founding Committee • Mount Baker Theatre Board • Sustainable Connections • Whatcom Transit Authority Board, more bus service • Washington Municipal Research Board • AWC Certificate of Municipal Leadership

Experience and continuity count. I would appreciate your vote. Let's keep working together to keep Bellingham a great place to live.

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Michael Lilliquist

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Growth is the number one issue facing Bellingham today, whether it is inadequate parkland in the north, endangered drinking water from Lake Whatcom to the east, inappropriate development on the south side, or redevelopment of the waterfront on our western shore. If elected to the City Council's At-Large seat, these will be my priorities.

Bellingham's 2006 Customer Satisfaction Survey found that 71% of voters agree that "Bellingham is growing too fast and is losing its character."

If elected, I will represent the great majority of citizens who are as concerned as I am about the negative effects of poorly planned growth. Growth should accommodate the citizens of Bellingham

and our values, and not the other way around.

Through my activity in community groups and as a board member of my neighborhood association, I have become familiar with our land use codes, the Bellingham Comprehensive Plan and the Growth Management Act. With a background as a research scientist, I have the analytical skills and ability to understand complex issues in detail. I share your commitment and love for our city and the neighborhoods in which we live. I have the political courage to act and turn our values into deeds.

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Harry K. Robinson

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One of the things I have learned from my many years on Blaine's Planning Commission is how much the citizens of Blaine love and care about their city, and how much they want to protect Blaine's beauty and unique quality of life. A number of major issues that require the City Council's review and approval will have a significant long-

term impact on Blaine. These include updating our Comprehensive Plan and the Semiahmoo Master Plan, developing a Master Plan for East Blaine, expansion of the Semiahmoo marina and revising zoning designations. Several additional substantial projects are either in process or will be submitted for consideration in the near future. I believe that the experience I have gained on the Planning

Commission plus my extensive experience in the financial services industry and my commitment to listen to and work with the citizens of Blaine will prove invaluable as a Council Member in dealing with these and other important matters. I look forward to working in a spirit of cooperation with the other Council Members, the City staff and the citizens of Blaine so we all can see a positive impact on our lives now and in the future of our wonderful city.

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**Max Shelton**

Non-Partisan

I feel that I would make an excellent addition to the Blaine City Council because I am diplomatic, and a strong decision maker. I am a proud graduate of Blaine High as well as Western Washington University. I have been a Financial Advisor with Smith Barney for five years. This career has led me to embrace change, and realize the earlier

and the longer term the planning is, the more beneficial the end result. I am a property owner, and my wife and I plan on raising our family in Blaine. I would like to see downtown continue to improve through renovation and improvements. Blaine is forecasted to see a lot of growth over the next twenty years, and I want to be part of the council that sees this development is done correctly.

With your vote I will be the youngest member on the city council, and I see this as an opportunity to offer a longer term perspective.

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**David Gallion**

Non-Partisan

I've learned that creating a better quality of life doesn't just happen. It takes meaningful leadership and analysis with new vision. Bicycles & our children competing with cars in traffic is still a problem around our schools. I do have some win-win solutions - but first I need to get in the right position to help.

This led me to start developing an alternative transportation planning for Blaine. Myself being a disabled person I shall be a strong advocate for those disabled and aged. Civility, I will show respect of differing points of view. I believe in strong financial stability, increasing city revenues, retail expansion to meet resident needs, and reduce the leakage of sales tax dollars to nearby communities, but not at the expense of our hometown appearance.

Making housing choices that are affordable to Blaine residents. We need strong leadership to encourage new vitality, innovation and I plan to restore the trust of city governance back to the people of Blaine. I believe that Blaine is ready for change! The people's voice shall be heard again. I've led before and I'll bring thoughtful and proactive leadership to Blaine's future.

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**Jason Overstreet**

Non-Partisan

I'm excited about continuing to serve as a Blaine City Council Member, helping make Blaine a better place to live, work, and do business. I am a Blaine resident who was raised in Whatcom County; a husband and proud father of two children; a firefighter; and, along with my wife, own two businesses in beautiful downtown Blaine. I would

appreciate your continued vote of confidence. Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at 303-2145.

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Thank you,

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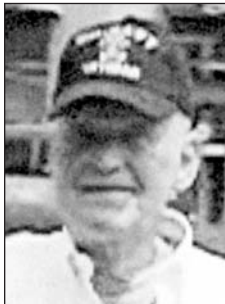


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Jim Baker

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I believe everyone should have a chance at the golden ring, with as little interference as possible, providing they do not interfere with another person's chance.

I wish to serve the city without compensation and ask the council to set aside those funds for police & fire depts. to use for youth & senior citizen activities.

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Gary S. Jensen

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A mayor can define the reality of his (or her) community and be the leader of the community. I am not interested in the title of being mayor. I am very interested in what being a mayor can do for our city.

I grew up in Ferndale. I have raised my family here. My wife is a teacher at Central Elementary. My father is the retired Police

and Fire Chief. My roots run deep. I believe Ferndale can be a great city without losing the community all of us love and cherish.

• Our government must be CIVIL, ACCESSABLE and AC-COUNTABLE. As a citizen you should always feel that you are welcome to participate in our city. You should be confident that your leaders will listen to you.

• We must continue to work towards achieving our Community Vision. Our recent community meetings gave us a blueprint to the future. We now know the dreams, goals and directions you the citizens want your government to move towards.

• We must work Towards CLEAN , GREEN, INTELLIGENT GROWTH.

Ferndale is in a unique position for new growth. We have a chance to build better, build GREEN and plan for growth.

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Jerry Landcastle

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I have served the City as Mayor for nearly four years, our City Council has worked well together. Difficult decisions have been made through cooperation and negotiation. Our Council has worked together with the best interest of our Community as our goal. Your City government is accessible and accountable to those that live

here and participate in our government. If you have questions you need only to ask and you will be provided complete and straight answers. I have provided experience and leadership. I will continue that strong direct leadership in these challenging times of growth in our Community.

In 1999 THE VOTERS changed our government; the GOAL was for a STRONG MAYOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT. IN 2004

I was elected to be that strong mayor. I have served the Community well with honesty and integrity. I have provided more than fifteen community meetings, created numerous active committees, boards and commissions in support of Our Community Vision. I will continue to represent you full time with dedication in making Ferndale a City we will all be proud of. I will be honored by your vote. Your participation is needed come join with us in our Ferndale.

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Susan Cole

Non-Partisan

I have lived in Ferndale since 1968. I'm originally from a small town in Indiana and continue to enjoy that special small town atmosphere. I am a local small business owner and former member of the medical profession. I currently serve as the chair of the planning commission. As an AWC Certified Municipal Leader, I believe I have

the knowledge, skills, and experience to provide good leadership for Ferndale during the next four years.

An elected official's highest priority should be good stewardship of the taxpayer's dollars. Good stewardship to me means carefully considering every decision and how it will impact your wallet. I have done that in two previous terms on the City Council and pledge to do so in the future.

Growth is the biggest challenge facing our community. Ferndale is growing at an even faster rate than Bellingham. I support strong development standards and mitigation requirements, as well as a fee review to insure that growth pays for itself. I will work to encourage in-fill and mixed use projects to reduce sprawl and more efficiently use our land. I will work toward better long term planning so that Ferndale grows without losing its unique historic character.

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Steve Malpezzi

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I look forward to the opportunity to serve Ferndale as your next councilmember. The combination of my leadership experience, civic and church (St. Joseph's) involvement and community minded philosophy makes my council aspirations a natural progression. My Priorities are:

- Traffic and parking solutions
- Maintain Ferndale's small-town atmosphere
- Revitalize Downtown and Parks

Growth is a key issue here in Ferndale. The issue is not will it happen,

but rather HOW will it happen. Will the community continue to foot the bill for new development? I believe Ferndale residences need to STOP being charged for growth and development through the continual increase of our taxes and fees. Development and growth need to pay their own way. This can be accomplished through: properly guided long range planning, revamped traffic mitigation and infrastructure impact fees, and better concurrence regulations. A key element to our future is the continued community visioning process and electing leaders that both understand and believe in the community. Ferndale has a rich history and has the potential for an equally tremendous future. I promise to help lead Ferndale into the next 100 years; by keeping integrity, due diligence and community empowerment at the forefront.

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Lloyd Zimmerman

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My ability to see both sides of issues, find the right balance and execute a plan that in the end, everyone was happy with. I hope to demonstrate to Ferndale that I work for them in all-important matters.

I will work for a balanced approach to critical development issues and maintain strong support of smart downtown development.

I understand the importance of investments, which will grow our City's tax base.

I want to bring more attention to improved infrastructure and design standards, which have been needed for sometime now.

I favor intelligent growth and moving toward green building stan-

dards and conservation goals for new projects.

I will be honored and excited to bring fresh representation for our Ferndale family.

When we truly listen to one another with respect, we can achieve our common objectives. I respect our unique Ferndale heritage; a safe and secure community, a prosperous and livable downtown."

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Melvin Hansen

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I have lived in Ferndale for nearly 40 years with my wife Bertella and son Greg. For 28 years I was the Ferndale High School Band Director, a successful program known nationally as well as locally. I have been a Ferndale City Council Member for 8 years.

The City's number one priority must be the health and safety of our citizens. A strong, well paid police force, adequate police facilities, sidewalks, and adequate water and sewer systems are essential.

Roads and sidewalks are another concentration area. We have an opportunity to work together to improve many of our streets. We need to continue the sidewalk program so eventually every student

walking to school has a sidewalk. A Long-term traffic solution continues to be a high priority and we must work with the State Department of Transportation toward this goal.

We must plan for the future. Growth will happen, but it is important that the City has in place development regulations and standards so that the City determines how Ferndale will look, not developers.

Finally, parks are an essential need for a quality lifestyle. We must re-establish a parks department and maintain parks as well as expand our parks system.

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Mike Reilly

Non-Partisan

I am a 4th generation Ferndale native. I have been married to my wife, Nadine, for 40 years and we have lived within the city limits of Ferndale for 26 years. I retired from the US Postal Service as the station manager of the Mt. Baker station in Bellingham. I am a member of the Disabled Veterans Association.

At the end of this year, I will have served on the city council for 10 years. I have served on all council committees and have served on various inter-governmental committees. I have served on the council as a fiscal conservative being very aware that it is the citizens money that we are spending.

These are my views on some of the issues affecting Ferndale:

Police facility: I support the building of a new facility.

Long Term Transportation: I support the building of the Thornton Road Overpass.

Retail: I support retail with no size restrictions.

Sidewalks: We need to continue building sidewalks to provide safety for our citizens.

Street Maintenance: I support setting aside additional money aside each year for ongoing street repair.

Property taxes, Sewer & Water Rates: I will not support any large increases in these taxes and rates.

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Connie Faria

Non-Partisan

I was raised with parents that were involved in their community. I believe in continuing the tradition of service. After leaving the Air Force and settling down with my husband in Whatcom County, I have made an effort to be involved with our community. During the last 10 years, I have volunteered at the Ferndale Library, St. Joseph's

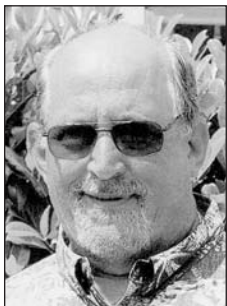
Catholic Church and with the Ferndale Parks, Recreation and Trails Advisory Board. I am the current chair of the PRTAB and strongly feel that it's time to bring a Parks & Recreation Department back in Ferndale. My husband and I have two young children who need activities in Ferndale. I'd like to see us build a community pool and a skate park. I also look forward to doing more of my retail

shopping here in Ferndale. But, I know that it is up to us to have high standards when development comes to our town. As a Fiscal Conservative, I understand that it is important for growth to pay for itself and ensure that we are pursuing traffic solutions. I want to see Ferndale retain its small-town feel and plan for growth. I look forward to serving on your City Council.

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Jim Elliott

Non-Partisan

My name is Jim Elliott, and I am a candidate for Ferndale City Council, Position 4.

My vision for Ferndale is:

- ♦ To encourage quality retail growth
- ♦ A pro-active system of review and repair of our cities infrastructure

- ♦ Continue the quality growth of our Police Department. Including the much needed Police and Justice Building.
- ♦ Encourage the continuing involvement of Citizen Committees in City Government.
- ♦ Continue the efforts of the Planning Department to facilitate the permit process.

- ♦ Re-establish the Parks Department and to adequately fund it's operation.

I believe that I can represent you well: Following are some of my current and past commitments to OUR TOWN.

Currently a Ferndale City Council member; Member of The Old Settlers; Member of The Ferndale Chamber (Past Board Member); Ferndale Man of the Year, 2000; Member of The Ferndale Heritage Society (Past President); The Ferndale Community Coordinator (2 years) of Nancy Reagan's "Just Say No" drug and alcohol program.

YOUR VOTE FOR ME: WILL HONOR FERNDALES PAST AND BE A CONECTION TO ITS FUTURE

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Paul Ingram

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Paul Ingram, a resident of the City of Ferndale, is running for the City Council Position 4. Paul is an Air Force veteran and a retired Facilities Engineer. Paul has a great love of Ferndale and will bring a new openness to city government. He is very concerned that Ferndale avoid the mistakes other cities have made, when trying to respond to growth.

His top priorities include transportation solutions that work, a sustainable economy including a revitalized downtown core, a strong connection with the young adults of our city to involve them in planning.

Paul has been married to his wife, Barbara, for 38 years. They

have two grown sons, Andrew and Jonathon, both who live and work in California.

Paul has worked in many volunteer positions with the City including the Economic Development Commission, Chamber of Commerce, and the Sport Complex irrigation upgrade project, along with many other smaller tasks. Paul is the incoming chairperson of the Ferndale Kiwanis Club Youth Committee.

Paul will bring openness and a willingness to listen to all sides of every issue before deciding his position, he will bring a new aura of civility and cooperation to city government.

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Ronald DeValois is a product of Lynden, Being raised on South BC Avenue, I attended Lynden Christian School before going off to college. After twenty years of teaching, I returned to Lynden where I have resided for the past eighteen years. For ten years I served on the Planning Commission for the City. I am now completing my

fourth year with the City Council.

I like to listen to all sides of issue under discussion. Asking questions is essential to forming an opinion. It is only wise to study issues carefully and come to meetings prepared. I believe the best decisions are made when considerable thought has gone into them.

Lynden will grow because the city has much going for itself. Lynden's growth requires careful management. Streets, water supply, sewer facilities, stormwater management, parks and trails, police and fire protection must keep pace with the city's increasing size and complexity. Yet it is desirable to maintain our small town character which prides itself in its agricultural roots.

It is my desire to see that Lynden remain an attractive, livable, ever-improving community for its residents.

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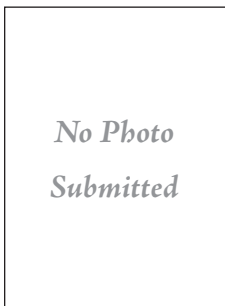


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Don Peterson

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Sumas has been my home for over 30 years. Over the years I have had a continuing interest in the growth and development of our City. In the past, I have served on the Planning Commission, City Council, and as Mayor. At the present time I am on the Board for the Sumas Youth Center, and again am serving on the Planning Commission. We are in a phase of growth and change, I suggest we need efforts to encourage retail development in our city. The growing number of commercial trucks parked over-night presents a potential problem for us. We must continue our efforts to make our City an even greater place to live and do business. With the voters approval, I would welcome the opportunity to represent them at the City Council.

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Michael Jay

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Once a practicing teacher, improving education has remained the common thread of my 25-year career. I served as an executive at Apple Computer and Chancery Software, and have founded two companies in Bellingham, MediaSeek Technologies and most recently Educational Systemics. While my career has prepared me to represent the

interests of our children, parents, and community members, my interactions with educators and students have fueled my commitment to providing quality education. All children can be successful if allowed to lead with their strengths and supported in improving their weaknesses. To provide this environment we require an educational culture that incorporates vision in every decision, ensuring

that we prepare for the future even as we address the needs of today. My MA in Education in Mathematics, Science, and Technology from UC Berkeley, participation in national education initiatives, and service on the Superintendent's Parent Advisory Committee and Technology Planning Committee make me an informed voice representing your interests. I also have a grandson at Squaticum!

I am committed to:

Addressing the whole learner; Assessment that informs learning; Community engagement in decision-making; Supporting educators as professionals; Technology in service of learning and teaching; Strong partnerships with the community, city, & other educational institutions

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As Dr. Ken Vedra takes the helm in a new district/new state, he will be well-served by a senior board member who can

- ♦ provide institutional memory on issues, culture and programs;
- ♦ provide points of contact with legislators and others in the field of education in

WA state; and

- ♦ speak knowledgeably about WA law as it relates to education (education law, school finance, audit, accountability).

The past ten years that I have served as a Board Member have been amongst the most gratifying in my professional life. Having served in various leadership positions, including multiple terms as Board

President and Vice President, Legislative Representative, and Bond Targeting/Matchback Chair, I know experience on the Board means consistent direction for Bellingham School District in the areas of planning, visioning and fulfilling community expectations.

No Child Left Behind, federal legislation with an intention of overcoming educational inequality, is up for reauthorization in 2007. Informed voices are needed to advocate for an end to its overuse and misuse of standardized tests, its imposition of sanctions that have no record of success as school improvement strategies, and its failure to fund those mandates. I am eager to take on that challenge.

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As a mother with three children in our schools, I care deeply about the quality of public education in Bellingham. We need schools that inspire ALL children to reach their highest academic potential, provide them with the skills to thrive in a changing society, and instill a love of learning. Bellingham is an amazing community that

should have equally amazing schools. Working together, I know we can do better.

I bring a fresh voice to the School Board – one that knows our schools from the inside and is ready to represent you and your concerns. With a professional background in public policy, degrees from Dartmouth College and the University of Wisconsin, and years of

experience in our district (Site Councils, PTA, Parent Advisory Committee, Strategic Plan), I am ready to take our schools from good to GREAT.

I will work to:

- Promote open dialogue and collaboration
- Make sure that testing supports quality learning instead of replacing it
- Support our teachers in the classroom
- Link our community to our schools
- Meet the diverse needs of each school community
- Reduce class size
- Increase arts and electives
- Create a culture of excellence at every level.

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I have been deeply involved in Bellingham Public Schools in a leadership capacity for over fourteen years. My service has included PTA President at Carl Cozier, PTA Regional Legislative Chair, Bond/Levy Advisory Committee, Bellingham School District Budget Committee, Superintendent's Parent Advisory Committee and numerous

other committees. Most recently, I served on the search committee for our new superintendent. I am currently the Bellingham School Board representative to the Whatcom Family and Community Network.

My experience in public schools has provided me a solid base from which to take the next step. As your School Board Director in Position 3, I will continue engaging parents, educators and community

members to guide our children to higher levels of student learning. My vision is to work with the District to meet the goals of the 2005-2010 Strategic Plan with realistic solutions. Specifically:

Learning by focusing on powerful teaching and learning strategies in the classroom

Personalize learning in the school setting

Engaging families and community in student learning

I hope that you will give me the opportunity to serve on the Bellingham School Board where I will work to make continued academic excellence a priority. Please visit my website to learn more. www.kellybashaw.com

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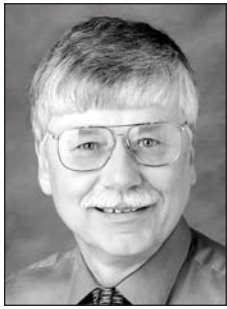
One of my goals is to bring a higher profile to the School Board. Often times, the only School Boards that become high profile are the ones people are unhappy with. It is probably safe to assume most Ferndale parents are OK with the Board's management. But, the School Board has an important mission and should strive to reach their

mission. If elected, I want to be challenged on my votes or position taken on Board business. We all need to remember we are farmers of the most valued crop - our future - our children.

I ask for your vote!

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John Safford Hruby

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As an experienced Board member since 1987, I seek your approval to continue serving in a leadership capacity for the Ferndale School District. I am a family physician who has lived and worked in Ferndale since 1979.

I support our district's commitment to do "what is best for children" as they become self-directed learners, master WASL learning objectives, and develop into contributing members of our democratic society. I believe we need to continue our district's current investments in improving our educational process to meet the diverse needs of our students, the integration of technology into our school system, and a robust teacher and staff development program.

The Ferndale School District faces two challenges: rapid population growth and the need to create a more meaningful secondary (grade 9-12) educational program. These challenges provide us with a unique opportunity. Research is clear that high school students do better in smaller school communities. The acquisition of land for a new secondary school site on Church Road provides the opportunity to create a campus environment with smaller school units and varied programs to meet the needs of our students. I hope to continue as a Board leader to help shape these opportunities.

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Campbell McClusky

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Point Roberts resident and President of its Registered Voters' Association, Campbell McClusky brings a global perspective to Blaine School District with his over 25 years of experience as a planner for the U.S. Agency for International Development. Maintaining the highest educational standards in preparing our young people for

the future and attracting the finest educators to Whatcom County are paramount in McClusky's plan to allow students to reach their full potential. Parenting his son through several overseas American international schools in North Yemen, Mauritania and Senegal, Campbell is sensitive to problems which plague schools today and believes there is a natural bridge which pulls together the public and private sectors for the benefit of our students.

While living in Bellingham, McClusky worked as a Census crew chief for the 2000 decennial census. Currently, Campbell serves as a Census Field Representative and works as a Point Roberts real estate agent. An active member in a Bellingham senior discussion group as well as President of Bellingham Evening Toastmasters, McClusky supports the performing arts in education. A thespian himself, he may be remembered as Felix Unger in Bellingham Theater Guild's The Odd Couple. Thank you for your kind consideration.

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As a volunteer in the Lynden School District, I have had the opportunity to network and build relationships with other parents, teachers and administrators in order to gain in-depth knowledge of school issues and concerns. As a community member, I bring over 25 years experience in working with governmental, accounting, legal and construction firms. As a certified public accountant and currently the Finance Director for the City of Lynden, I bring experience in fiscal management, budgeting, auditing, risk management, and debt management to the Lynden School board where I have had the honor to serve since 2002.

The past five years have seen many accomplishments in the school district. These include the realignment of Fisher and Isom schools, creation of Lynden Learning Lifestyles for home schooled students, English classes for migrant parents, district wide curriculum alignment, improving WASL proficiency, and a number of scholastic and athletic based titles.

I am seeking reelection because I believe that a strong educational system makes the community in which all of us live better. Education enables individuals to reach their full potential and become life long learners. The focus is what is best for students. That is and will remain my goal if reelected.

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Since elected as a Lynden School Director in 2003, I have successfully worked to:
Keep the percentage of budget spent on direct instruction greater than that of any other Whatcom County district; Reduce local tax rates while maintaining a stable, balanced budget; transition ISOM and Fisher into two outstanding elementary schools; Negotiate all collective bargaining agreements with employees; Support home

school education, comprehensive middle school band, FFA, highly capable students, and Community Transitions.

If re-elected I will:
Fight to reduce Olympia's role in local education decisions; Maintain a balanced budget that provides outstanding education without overburdening local taxpayers; Make personnel decisions based upon education rather than satisfying special interests; Defend employees from being forced to join unions; Replace or renovate the middle school; Protect existing taxpayers by passing impact fees on new residential development; Ensure the WASL does not drive education decisions.

We live in Washington's best community. My goal is to provide the best education for that community. I appreciate your support in this endeavor.

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As a newer resident to Lynden, a caregiver-businessperson, a parent with children in two of our schools, and having a market research background, it is my goal to continue to be a good listener, capable of sorting through a variety of issues and community concerns.

process that will serve as a filter for personnel, program, facility, and policy decisions.

I have appreciated working with the existing board and respect their varied experience (which includes academic, construction, finance, industry, and caregiving perspectives), careful deliberation on decisions, and care for students – all of which work to achieve our common educational goal.

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To undergird our District’s goal of “high standards and high achievement for all students,” it is my objective to help build on the healthy reputation of our District through 1) enhanced working relationships while building a healthy school “community,” 2) a fine-tuned communication process internally, and externally with our community, and 3) a well-crafted visioning



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I have been on the Nooksack Valley School Board for 12 years and have lived and owned a business in the school district for 27 years. I have two children that have graduated from the Nookack school district. Public education is vital to a community's health and future. Our youth will become the leaders and business owners of our communities. The demands on our young people have changed throughout the years and it is important for our education system to prepare them for lives filled with different expectations and skills that the world now demands. There are many issues to address regarding public education and I would like to continue the

changes needed for success of all students. Our community is very supportive of the schools and I would like the opportunity of serving for 4 more years and help keep that support going for our kids and our future.

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My name is Chris Haugen and I am running for the Nooksack Valley School Board Position #4. I am a parent with 3 children that attend our schools. I have a vested interest in our school system and the quality of education that the children in our community receive in the Nooksack Valley School District.

I believe it is important for the school district to promote parent involvement and maintain open lines of communication. A school administration that works together with parents in a positive atmosphere can only make for a stronger school system.

I look forward to serving the Nooksack Valley School District in 2008 and beyond. Thank you.

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I currently serve the community in many ways. I am a member of the Sumas Chamber of Commerce, President of the Sumas Lions Club and President of the Board of Directors for the Sumas Youth Center. In the past I've been involved in coaching little league sports as well.



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Mary Beth Neal

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I would be honored to serve my neighbors as a commissioner for Fire District 4, my home for the past 14 years. My career experience includes more than 11 years of newspaper reporting. During that time, I became very familiar with Whatcom County's fire agencies and Emergency Medical Services team. The past four years I have worked as a disability and health insurance provider.

be kept informed. I will strive to maintain a well-managed, well-coordinated emergency response team that our citizens and responders can count on today and into the future.

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Many citizens are unaware of the chain of response set off by a call to 911. They simply trust that their taxes are being well managed to provide them with prompt, effective service if the day comes they have to dial those three digits. As a fire commissioner, I will take that trust seriously. However, I believe it is important that citizens

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Fire protection districts through out Whatcom county are presented with a huge problem of how to provide quality fire and E.M.S. protection to an ever growing population. The cost of equipment, training of personnel, along with the added responsibility of transporting patients to the hospital will stretch us thin. As a volunteer

firefighter myself and incumbent fire commissioner for F.P.D. #14 I see these problems first hand. There are some tough decisions to be made if we are going to continue providing the service that the community expects and deserves. The future of an all volunteer fire

service may be too much to ask of our friends and neighbors. I ask for your vote for W.C.F.P.D. #14 fire commissioner position #1

Respectfully,

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I have been proud to serve the Fire District for the past 32 years. The first 20 years as Volunteer Firefighter and Commissioner for the past 12 years. During this time there have been many improvements the most recent being the merger of Fire District 3 and 13 into the now more efficient Fire District 21. I have the experience and dedication to

continue these improvements for the safety and welfare of Fire District 21 residents.

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Since moving to Blaine 15 years ago I have served in local government, at the school and in my church. While on the Blaine City Council I learned the principles of the governing process and know how to articulate the issues. Serving on numerous Boards I have developed leadership skill as an objective critical thinker. I possess the

ability to listen to all sides of a discussion to achieve compromise, consensus and vision. As a sole proprietor I understand the cost of doing business and basic budgeting principles. Good stewardship of public funds is critical to the long term success of the District. My reputation as a successful business owner is the result of my commitment to my client, my attention to detail and my ability to get the job done. These skills are "industry transparent" and will enable

me to serve as Commissioner with integrity and professionalism. I have passion and enthusiasm for our community and the desire to make sure we have the very best fire protection and emergency medical services available. I welcome this responsibility and look forward to the challenges facing us. I would appreciate your vote.

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Many changes are on the horizon. Giant steps are in the process of being taken and the future of the Columbia Valley promises to be exciting, satisfying and rewarding to all of us.

Having already worked toward the start of this new Era, I would really like to carry on by working alongside and together with my

fellow Commissioners to ensure that everyone is included in all the beneficial and at times scary steps and decisions ahead.

We must remember that it will be our voices and our help that is needed to make sure that our beautiful Columbia Valley and its Water District moves ever forward.

As Winston Churchill said

United we stand - Divided we fall

And America followed with

We shall NOT fail

I am English by birth

But American by CHOICE.

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Sean D. Wilson

Non-Partisan

As a homeowner in Water District 13, I have been disappointed by the historical lack of public process and fiscal accountability identified in our recent audits, and I have significant concerns about the potential impact that improper management may have on our investments in the years to come.

As your representative in Water District 13 - I will work within my ability and the law to ensure that the mistakes of the past don't become the liabilities of our future!

I am committed to responsive leadership and to meeting our financial obligations in a timely manner. As a commissioner, I will use the

audit findings as a management tool to identify and reduce potential liability and increase our compliance with State law and public accountability.

As your representative, I will perform the duties of my office with professionalism and transparency and work to find cost effective solutions that are protective of our customers and our investments.

It's time for a change in the way we do business and I am confident that I can bring the skills and commitment necessary to get the job done.

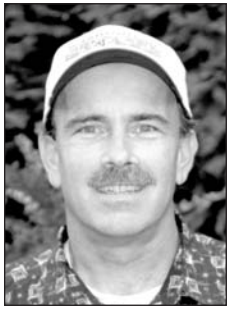
I look forward to the opportunity to serve as your representative in Water District 13

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WATER DISTRICT NO. 13

Commissioner Position No. 4 (cont.)



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Non-Partisan

“What can I do for you?” A simple question that should not be answered with rhetoric and idol promises.

Whatcom County is growing and we have difficult decisions in front of us. Water District #13 must address issues of Urban Growth. Developers want you to believe they are doing this community a favor by

bringing development and want our District to fund the cost stating it should be a privilege for us to do so.

It is my belief and position that all costs associated with urban development must be the responsibility of the developers.

I offer you honesty; sound fundamental business sense and I will actively support community interaction in all business decisions. When you elect a commissioner to represent you it must be understood the community has the final decision and commissioners simply manage the business in a responsible procedural manner.

If I'm elected I can assure the citizens of District #13 I stand firm on issues regarding development, I will give you candid honest responses to issues that concern you and utmost bring sound business concepts this district desperately requires. It's your money and you need a responsible individual that wants your opinion and accountability.

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GLACIER WATER DISTRICT NO. 14

Commissioner Position No. 3



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No Statement Submitted

ACME WATER DISTRICT NO. 18

Commissioner Position No. 1



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No Photo
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When I moved here in 2004, it became apparent to me that Water District 19 was having major problems. I wanted to lend my experience and professional skills to see things get back on track.

I observed numerous irregularities and had serious concerns about the liability our water board might be incurring and at what cost to the customers. The State Auditor's office agreed, identifying several audit findings in their review of our district – ranging from mismanagement of federal contracts to missing money and violations of the Open Public Meetings Act.

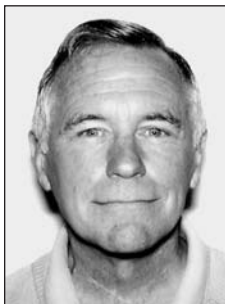
I was honored last June to be recognized for my commitment to our district by the current Board who appointed me as a Commissioner to fill an unexpected vacancy.

Under current management I have worked productively with my fellow commissioners, to begin collections on over \$200,000.00 in unpaid delinquencies and have watched as we have completed system upgrades that have been stalled for years.

As a customer I want value for my money and I know you do too. Please support me and the current board in our effort to increase value, reduce potential liability and provide a superior quality service at an affordable rate for all.

Thank you

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**Doug Corning**

Non-Partisan

Past: Life-long resident of Whatcom County.

Present: Resident & property owner in District #19.

Future: The goal is affordable quality water.

Doug Corning will work for you!

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EVERGREEN WATER-SEWER DISTRICT NO. 19 Commissioner Position No. 3 (cont.)



Norma Otto

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For the past four years, I have been giving of my time to the Paradise Lakes community in various ways. My motivation has always been revitalization, peace and stability.

I was appointed to the office that I now hold and have been working diligently to bring stability, accountability and transparency to Evergreen Water and Sewer Dist.

#19. During my term of office a team of professionals has been hired to manage the District's financial and day to day operations. This has been a missing piece for the District and I look forward to the promise of a more efficient and cost effective operation that will bring balance and credibility to our process.

Some of my priorities are and continue to be: Installation of street lights, fair and equitable water rates, professional service to ratepayers, maintaining a balanced budget and collection of delinquent accounts.

If you vote for me, your vote will be well placed since I already have a proven track record of service to our community as well the ability to work with the current Board of Commissioners.

Keeping this Board in tact will only strengthen the potential of a viable water system in the coming years.

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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 1 Commissioner Position No. 3



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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 3 Commissioner Position No. 3



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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 4

Commissioner Position No. 2

No Photo
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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 4

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No Photo
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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 6 Commissioner Position No. 3



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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 7 Commissioner Position No. 3



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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 8 Commissioner Position No. 3



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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 9

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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 10

Commissioner Position No. 3

No Photo
Submitted

Glenn Boodey

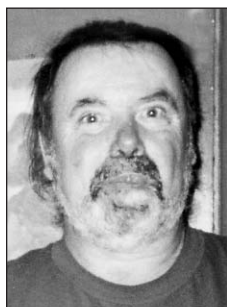
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CEMETERY DISTRICT NO. 11

Commissioner Position No. 3

**Chris Burk**

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I am a Clear Brook Community Resident for The Past 20 years and I would like to be involved in the neighborhood functions. I also just recently Joined our small neighborhood Church, Clearbrook Lutheran Church. I am very active in Church functions.

I am also a retired construction worker, related from a car accident in 1999.

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No Statement Submitted



Mark Robbins

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I came to Point Roberts in 2005, following a long career in international public health that took me to many parts of Asia and Africa. I have become actively involved in a number of volunteer activities, such as the Garden Tour, Taxpayers' Association, Historical Society, and the Blue Heron Van. In different ways, I believe all of these

role in making Point Roberts a safe, welcoming, scenic, recreational, pro-fitness, pro-environment, and intellectually stimulating community, for both residents and visitors, of all ages.

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programs contribute to making Point Roberts a great place to live, raise a family, or retire. Even more central to the life of the community is our local Parks and Recreation District, which operates the Community Center and various recreational programs. I hope to serve on the Parks Board in order to help maintain and expand its



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No Statement Submitted

POINT ROBERTS PARK & RECREATION DIST. NO. 1 Commissioner Position No. 5



Linda Hughes

Non-Partisan

I am Linda Hughes, the incumbent in Commissioner Position #5 for your Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1. I have enjoyed my first term as a Park Commissioner and look forward to continued service to the community.

I am very pleased with some of the programs that our Parks District supports and have enjoyed forging relationships with the Point Roberts Seniors, the Whatcom Country Library System, the youth of the Community through our summer program and other special events we have sponsored over the years. The Community Center has been getting busier and busier since my term first began and there has been re-

newed use of Baker Field recently also. One of our biggest achievements during my first term was the completion of the Skate Park dream, and it is obvious to me when watching kids enjoy themselves there that it was a great addition to our Parks services.

I want to thank everyone who provided me with their input on various Parks issues over the years and I hope to continue to represent you to the best of my abilities. Thank you for your vote.

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LYNDEN REGIONAL PARK & RECREATION DIST. NO. 3 Commissioner Position No. 2



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LYNDEN REGIONAL PARK & RECREATION DIST. NO. 3 Commissioner Position No. 3



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LYNDEN REGIONAL PARK & RECREATION DIST. NO. 3 Commissioner Position No. 4



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No Statement Submitted

LYNDEN REGIONAL PARK & RECREATION DIST. NO. 3 Commissioner Position No. 5



Bob Fraser

Non-Partisan

I hope to bring to the residents of Lynden and the Parks and Recreation Commission my twenty-five years of business experience and professional training in finance and leadership. I also hope to bring my passion for recreation and sports of all kinds to this position.

all ages and skills and abilities, while holding the Rec. District to a thrifty fiscal code. We have to manage our resources carefully and make them stretch to serve more people in more ways than ever before.

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I recognize that there are many recreational activities that are of interest to the people of the Lynden area and some of those activities already have facilities or places in which to enjoy them. Those places and facilities need to be maintained and possibly enhanced for continued enjoyment. Other activities aren't represented in our area and may not be available locally at all. So I hope to add to the menu of opportunities for fun for people of

HOSPITAL DISTRICT NO. 304 Commissioner Position No. 3



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Ballot Measure

CITY OF BELLINGHAM CHARTER AMENDMENT RELATED TO GENDER NEUTRAL LANGUAGE By Bellingham City Council

The Bellingham City Council has proposed a charter amendment concerning gender neutral language in the City Charter. If approved, Section 1.09 would be added to the Charter and the City Council would be authorized, by ordinance, to amend the language in all sections of the City Charter that refer to gender to provide that those references are gender neutral.

Should this amendment be approved? YES NO

Explanatory Statement

The City Charter was approved by voters in 1972. The City Charter currently provides, in definition of terms section 1.08, that the masculine and feminine genders shall include the other. Specific Charter provisions use only masculine references. If approved, this Charter amendment would authorize the City Council, by ordinance, to change the masculine references throughout the document to gender neutral language.

Statement For:

The Bellingham City Charter was prepared by a group of fifteen Freeholders and presented on May 12, 1972. It has been amended in 1981, 1983, 1985, 1986, 1987, 2004 and 2006 for a variety of reasons.

In its Definition of Terms section (1.08), the Charter states that "The past, present and future tenses shall each include the other; the masculine and feminine genders shall each include the other." However, throughout the document the Charter uses only masculine references and pronouns when referring to officials, such as "councilmen," and "the Mayor, he. . ."

In 1972, it was common to assume that masculine references referred to both men and women. Since then, common style and usage recognize that gender neutral language is preferable. Masculine pronouns no longer communicate a generic sense of "anyone." Language does not merely reflect the way we think; it also shapes our thinking.

The City Council voted unanimously to ask voters to approve this Charter Amendment which allows the City to make sure that the Charter reflects the City's laws, policies, and its commitment to gender equity.

Rebuttal of Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Rebuttal of Statement For:

No Statement Submitted

Statement For prepared by: Barbara Ryan, Stan Snapp, Rebecca M. Johnson

Complete text of this measure may be found on page 64

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Ballot Measure

PROPOSITION NO. 1 WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 7 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$4,500,000

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 7 adopted Resolution #07-0626-01 concerning fire protection district facility bonds. This proposition authorizes the District to modernize District headquarter's building, site improvements, make other capital improvements to District facilities, acquire fire fighting and life safety equipment and acquire, construct and equip new training facilities, to issue \$4,500,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 20 years to finance such improvements, and to levy property taxes annually in excess of regular property tax levies to repay such bonds, provided in Resolution #07-0626-01. Should this proposition be:

APPROVED

REJECTED

Explanatory Statement

A vote to approve Proposition No.1 authorizes Whatcom County Fire District No. 7 in accordance with Resolution No. 07-0626-01 to borrow \$4,500,000.00 by issuing general obligation bonds, with maturities not to exceed twenty years. Approving this proposition the proceeds from the bond sales will be used to pay for the modernizing of the District's Headquarters building, making other capital and site improvements to District facilities, acquiring firefighting and life safety equipment and acquiring, constructing and equipping new training facilities. The approximate levy rate increase is estimated to be \$.09 per \$1,000 assessed valuation for the term of the bonds.

Statement For:

The District must update its facilities and outdated equipment. Skyrocketing costs due to increased alarms (up 23% in 2006) have been absorbed using dwindling reserve funds. The reserve is not sufficient to maintain service levels or make needed improvements. I-747 limits tax increases to 1% per year. Response capabilities are not keeping pace with service demands. Inadequate staffing and slow response will become normal rather than the exception should these limitations continue.

The headquarters facility needs to be remodeled. It was constructed in the 70's for a volunteer department that responded to 250 alarms a year. The District responds to over 1700 alarms annually and has both volunteer and career staff. Administrative staff outgrew the facility years ago causing them to be located at different stations.

The District needs to replace apparatus that is well past its replacement date and is not up to safety standards.

Homes assessed at \$300,000, would pay \$28.00 a year for 20 years. Industrial and commercial users will pay back 60% of the bond.

Community safety is a top priority. These needs must be addressed. This bond will ensure that current and future growth needs are met.

Vote YES for Fire District 7 Proposition 1

Rebuttal of Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Rebuttal of Statement For:

No Statement Submitted

Statement For prepared by: Citizens For Fire 7 Prop. 1

Complete text of this measure may be found on page 64 & 65

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Ballot Measure

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8 WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON PROPOSITION NO. 1 AUTHORIZING REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY

The Board of Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 8 adopted Resolution No. 2007-09 concerning a proposition to increase its regular property tax levy for maintenance and operations to an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2008 and to authorize setting the limit factor at 100% plus the percentage change in Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton Area (1982-84=100) reported for August of the levy year for each of the five succeeding years. Should this Proposition be:

APPROVED

REJECTED

Explanatory Statement

Whatcom County Fire Protection District 8 seeks voter approval as provided by limitations set forth in RCW 84.55 to authorize the Board of Fire Commissioners to restore its 2008 regular property tax levy to the District's 2001 rate of \$1.50. For the subsequent 5 years, the District's levy would be adjusted for inflation by the Consumer Price Index for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton area. This rate will allow the District to enhance its emergency response level, replace aging equipment and add personnel.

Statement For:

Whatcom Fire Protection District #8 has been in existence for forty-nine years. The District has never come to the voters of the district and asked for a levy increase to this point.

Now due to the demands placed upon the District from urban growth, basic life support transports, disaster preparedness and homeland security matters; District 8 faces an untenable financial future. To continue to provide the tax payers of the District with a level of fire protection that affords them one of the lowest insurance company ratings in the County, together with the demands of Emergency Medical Service, it is necessary to restore the tax valuation of Fire District 8 to the amount allowed by recent Washington State Legislative action.

With your support District 8 will continue to protect the property and lives of its citizens and provide them the fire protection, emergency response and excellent insurance rating it has over the past almost fifty (50) years.

Rebuttal of Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Rebuttal of Statement For:

No Statement Submitted

Statement For prepared by: Fire District 8 "PRO" Committee

Complete text of this measure may be found on page 65 & 66

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Ballot Measure

PROPOSITION NO. 1 CONCRETE SCHOOL DISTRICT DISSOLUTION AND REAPPORTIONMENT OF DIRECTORS' DISTRICTS

The Board of Directors of Concrete School District No.11, Skagit County, Washington, adopted Resolution No. 897 concerning the dissolution and reapportionment of its directors' districts. If approved, this proposition would authorize the district to dissolve its five existing directors' districts and reapportion the district into three director's districts and with two directors at large. Should this proposition be:

APPROVED

REJECTED

Explanatory Statement

No Statement Submitted

Statement For:

No Statement Submitted

Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Rebuttal of Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Rebuttal of Statement For:

No Statement Submitted

Complete text of this measure may be found on page 66 & 67

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Ballot Measure

NORTHWEST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT 2 WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON PROPOSITION NO. 1 AUTHORIZING REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY

The Board of Commissioners of Northwest Park and Recreation District No. 2 adopted Resolution No. 1 concerning a proposition to assess a regular property tax levy for a two year period of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation to preserve natural areas, water quality, wildlife habitat and support parks, bike trails and recreational programs in Blaine and Birch Bay. Should this Proposition be:

APPROVED

REJECTED

Explanatory Statement

Proposition 1 would provide 2-years of funding to Northwest Park and Recreation District #2 for preserving natural areas and wildlife habitat, help improve water quality, support/maintain parks, create bike trails and provide recreational programs in Blaine and Birch Bay.

The requested amount is ten cents (\$.10) per one thousand dollars of assessed valuation. This will raise approximately \$385,000 each year for two years at an average homeowner cost of \$30 per year. The District would use the funds during the 2008 and 2009 calendar years.

Statement For:

The mission of the Northwest Park and Recreation District #2 is to preserve natural areas, acquire and maintain sites that enhance our quality of life and to provide recreational programs in the Blaine and Birch Bay area.

A two-year levy of 10 cents per \$1,000 valuation would cost the average home-owner about \$30 per year and would generate \$385,000 each year for parks, sports fields, bicycle trails and recreational programs for all ages. The District intends to partner with the City of Blaine and Whatcom County to improve existing parkland in both Blaine and Birch Bay.

As our area rapidly grows, we must preserve our water quality, natural areas and wildlife habitat before land prices are out of reach. Now is the time to ensure that we maintain the quality of life to which we have grown accustomed so that our children grow up and live in a Blaine/Birch Bay area of which we can all be proud to call home.

This two-year levy will be used to enhance the quality of life for Blaine and Birch Bay residents for generations to come. Please join us in support of the Northwest Park and Recreation District #2.

Rebuttal of Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Rebuttal of Statement For:

No Statement Submitted

Statement For prepared by: Kathy Berg, Marsha Hawkins, Terry Johnston

Complete text of this measure may be found on page 67

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Ballot Measure

PROPOSITION NO. 1 POINT ROBERTS PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT #1

Shall a tax, of approximately \$0.07 (seven cents), per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (based on 100% of true and fair value) to provide \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars) for operation and maintenance purposes be levied for the Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1 in 2007 for collection in 2008 and 2009 upon all taxable property within the District, all as specified in Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1, Resolution One?

LEVY, YES

LEVY, NO

Explanatory Statement

No Statement Submitted

Statement For:

No Statement Submitted

Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Rebuttal of Statement Against:

No Statement Submitted

Rebuttal of Statement For:

No Statement Submitted

Complete text of this measure may be found on page 68

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Ballot Measure Full Text

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-17

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A CHARTER AMENDMENT TO THE CITY VOTERS AT THE NOVEMBER 6, 2007 GENERAL ELECTION WHICH WOULD AUTHORIZE CITY COUNCIL TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE MAKING ALL GENDER REFERENCES IN THE CHARTER NEUTRAL.

WHEREAS, the current Bellingham City Charter was prepared and approved in 1973 and has not been significantly updated since that time; and WHEREAS, the City Charter contains references throughout the document that are masculine, for example, Section 2.03 refers to "councilmen" rather than a gender neutral designation of "councilmember"; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to update the City Charter language to reflect gender neutrality; and

WHEREAS, Article XIII, Section 13.01 of the City Charter provides that the City Council may, by agreement of a majority of all the Council members, submit proposed amendments to the voters for their ratification;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLINGHAM:

That the City Attorney is hereby directed to prepare an appropriate ballot title for submission of the following proposed charter amendment to the qualified voters of the City at the November 6, 2007 general election:

NEW SECTION 1.09----Gender Neutral Terms

City Council has the authority, by ordinance, to amend as necessary, the language in all sections of the City Charter that refer to gender to provide that those references are gender neutral.

PASSED by the Council this 6th day of August, 2007; Bob Ryan, Council President.

APPROVED by me this 10th day of August, 2007; Tim Douglas, Mayor.

Attest: Therese Holm, Finance Director.

Approved as to form: Joan Hoisington, Office of the City Attorney.

Ballot Measure Full Text

RESOLUTION NO. 07-0626-01

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 7, Whatcom County, Washington, providing for a form of the ballot proposition and specifying certain other details concerning submission to the qualified electors of the district at a special election to be held therein on November 6, 2007 for the issuance of its general obligation bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$4,500,000, or so much thereof as may be issued under the laws governing the indebtedness of fire protection districts for the purpose of providing funds to acquire, construct, equip, modernize and make other capital improvements to the facilities of the District.

WHEREAS, Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 7 (the "District") is in need of improvements in order to provide the residents of the District with adequate fire protection; and

WHEREAS, in order to provide all or a part of the funds to enable the District to construct, equip, modernize and make other capital improvements to the facilities of the District, it is deemed necessary and advisable that the District issue and sell its unlimited tax general obligation bonds to provide funds for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington provide that the question of whether or not such bonds may be issued and sold for such purposes must be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 7, WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON, as follows:

Section 1. Findings. This Board of Fire Commissioners (the "Board") hereby finds and declares that the best interest of the residents and property owners of the District requires the District to carry out the plans hereinafter provided at the time or times and in the order deemed most necessary and advisable by the Board.

Section 2. Capital Improvements. The District shall make the following capital improvements (the "Improvements"):

- Modernize District Headquarters Building;
- Undertake site improvements; and
- Acquire fire fighting and life safety equipment.
- Acquire, construct and equip new training facilities;

The cost of all necessary architectural, engineering, and other consulting services, inspection and testing, administrative and relocation expenses, on and off-site utilities, related improvements and other costs incurred in connection with the making of the foregoing capital improvements shall be deemed a part of the costs of such improvements. Such improvements shall be complete with all necessary furniture, equipment and appurtenances.

If available funds are sufficient from the proceeds of bonds authorized for the above purposes, and state or local circumstances require, the District shall acquire, construct, equip, modernize and make other capital improvements to the facilities of the District, all as the Board of Fire Commissioners may determine.

The District shall determine the application of available moneys as between the various projects set forth above so as to accomplish, as nearly as may be, all Improvements described or provided for in this section. The District shall determine the exact extent and specifications for construction of structures or other improvements.

If the Board shall determine that it has become impractical to accomplish any of such Improvements or portions thereof by reason of state or local circumstances, including changed conditions or needs, incompatible development or costs substantially in excess of those estimated, the

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District shall not be required to accomplish such improvements and may apply the bond proceeds or any portion thereof to other portions of the Improvements, to other fire protection capital purposes of the District, or to payment of principal of or interest on the bonds, as the Board may determine.

In the event that the proceeds of sale of the bonds, plus any other moneys of the District legally available, are insufficient to accomplish all of the capital improvements provided by this section, the District shall use the available funds for paying the cost of those fire protection capital improvements for which the bonds were approved deemed by the Board most necessary and in the best interest of the District.

Section 3. Authorization of Bonds. For the purpose of providing all or a part of the funds necessary to pay the cost of the Improvements referenced in Section 2 hereof, together with incidental costs and costs related to the sale and issuance of the bonds, the District shall issue and sell its unlimited tax general obligation bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$4,500,000. The balance of the cost of such Improvements shall be paid out of any moneys that the District now has or may later have on hand that are legally available for such purposes. None of said bond proceeds shall be used for the replacement of equipment or for any other than a capital purpose. Such bonds shall be issued in an amount not exceeding the amount approved by the qualified electors of the District as required by the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington or exceeding the amount permitted by the Constitution and laws of the State of Washington.

Section 4. Details of Bonds. The bonds provided for in Section 3 hereof shall be sold in such amounts and at such time or times as deemed necessary and advisable by this Board and as permitted by law, shall bear interest at a rate or rates not to exceed the maximum rate permitted by law at the time the bonds are sold, and shall mature in such amounts and at such times within a maximum term of twenty (20) years from date of issue, but may mature at an earlier date or dates, as authorized by this Board and as provided by law. Said bonds shall be general obligations of the District and, unless paid from other sources, both principal thereof and interest thereon (including original issue discount) shall be payable out of annual tax levies to be made upon all the taxable property within the District without limitation as to rate or amount and in excess of any constitutional or statutory tax limitations. The exact date, form, terms and maturities of said bonds shall be as hereafter fixed by resolution of the Board of Fire Commissioners. After voter approval of the bond proposition and in anticipation of the issuance of such bonds, the District may issue short term obligations as authorized and provided by Chapter 39.50 RCW.

Section 5. Bond Election. It is hereby found and declared that an emergency exists requiring the District to submit to the qualified electors of the District the proposition of whether or not the District shall issue such bonds for the foregoing projects, at a special election to be held therein on the 6th day of November, 2007.

The Whatcom County Auditor as ex officio supervisor of elections is hereby requested also to find the existence of such emergency and to call and conduct said special election to be held within the District on said date. The Secretary of the District is hereby authorized and directed to certify said proposition to said official in the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 7 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS - \$4,500,000

The Board of Fire Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 7 adopted Resolution #07-0626-01 concerning fire protection district facility bonds. This proposition authorizes the District to modernize District headquarter's building, site improvements, make other capital improvements to District facilities, acquire fire fighting and life safety equipment and acquire, construct and equip new training facilities, to issue \$4,500,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 20 years to finance such improvements, and to levy property taxes annually in excess of regular property tax levies to repay such bonds, provided in Resolution #07-0626-01.

Should this proposition be

APPROVED ?

REJECTED ?

ADOPTED by the Board of Fire Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 7, Whatcom County, Washington, at a regular meeting thereof held the 26th day of June, 2007. WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 7, WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON, Gerald Metzger, Chair and Fire Commissioner; Mike Murphy, Fire Commissioner.

ATTEST and CERTIFICATION: Patty R. Markel, Secretary, Board of Fire Commissioners

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WHATCOM COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8 RESOLUTION NO. 2007-09 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE SUBMISSION OF LEVY

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Fire Commissioners of Fire District 8, Whatcom County, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a general election to be held therein on November 7, 2007, in conjunction with the state general election to be held on the same day, a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy of \$1.50 per \$1,000. This proposition would authorize the District to set and maintain a regular property tax levy of \$1.50 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation for 2008, and establishing a six-year limit factor subject to any otherwise applicable statutory dollar rate limitations, all as more particularly set forth herein.

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

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necessitate the expenditure of revenues for station construction, maintenance, operations, equipment and personnel in excess of those which can be provided by the District's regular tax revenue levied at the current rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation of taxable property within the District.

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners has determined that the one percent limit factor established by RCW 84.55.010 will not be sufficient to provide for the expected cost increases required to maintain and increase the level of services currently provided by the District.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District 8, Whatcom County, Washington as follows:

Section 1. In order to provide fire protection, prevention and emergency medical services in the District, it is necessary for the District to operate and maintain emergency fire and medical service vehicles and to construct and remodel station facilities to be staffed by properly trained personnel equipped with proper fire fighting and emergency medical equipment.

Section 2. In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the costs of providing adequate life protection services and facilities as described in Section 1 and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services, the District shall, in accordance with RCW 84.55.050, remove the limitation on regular property taxes imposed by RCW 84.55.010 and levy beginning in 2007 and collect beginning in 2008, pursuant to RCW 52.16.130, RCW 52.16.140 and RCW 52.16.160, a general tax on taxable property within the District at a rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits.

Section 3. In order to provide the revenue adequate to pay the costs of providing adequate life protection services and facilities as described in Section 1 and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services beyond 2008, the District has determined that the limit factor shall be the year end change reported for August of the levy year in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton Area (1982-84=100). Such percentage shall be used to determine the actual levy rate, subject to the maximum statutory rate of \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation, in 2008 – 2012. The funds raised under this levy shall not supplant existing funds used for the purposes described in Section 1.

Section 4. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection, at a general election on November 7, 2007 in conjunction with the state general election to be held on the same date, the question of whether or not the regular property tax levy of the District should be set at \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation in 2007 and be adjusted by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton area for the following five years, subject to otherwise applicable statutory limitations. Whatcom County, as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, is hereby requested to call such special election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

**FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT NO. 8
WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON
PROPOSITION NO. 1
AUTHORIZING REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY**

The Board of Commissioners of Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 8 adopted Resolution No. 2007-09 concerning a proposition to increase its regular property tax levy for maintenance and operations to an amount not to exceed \$1.50 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for collection in 2008 and to authorize setting the limit factor at 100% plus the percentage change in Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton Area (1982-84=100) reported for August of the levy year for each of the five succeeding years. Should this Proposition be:

Approved ____

Rejected ____

By Whatcom County Fire Protection District No. 8: Roger Buswell, Commissioner; Wallace Croy, Commissioner; L.H. Butch Markhart, Commissioner; James Kelley, Commissioner; Thomas A. Stewart, III, Commissioner.

ATTEST AND CERTIFICATION: Rhonda Young, District Secretary, Board of Commissioners.

Ballot Measure Full Text

**CONCRETE SCHOOL DISTRICT #11
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON
RESOLUTION 897**

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of the Concrete School District No. 11 Board of Directors to adequately represent all of the geographic areas for the district, and

WHEREAS, with population changes it is becoming more difficult to find qualified candidates for school director office under the current five director district system, and

WHEREAS, Chapter 28A.343 RCW permits a school district to dissolve its existing directors' districts and reapportion the district into no fewer than three directors' districts and with no more than two directors at large;

WHEREAS, the Concrete School District wishes to dissolve its five existing directors' districts and reapportion the district into three directors' districts and with two directors at large;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of Concrete School District No. 11, Skagit County, Washington submit the following proposition to the voters of said district of their approval or rejection at a special election held November 6, 2007

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PROPOSITION NO. 1 CONCRETE SCHOOL DISTRICT DISSOLUTION AND REAPPORTIONMENT OF DIRECTORS' DISTRICTS

The Board of Directors of Concrete School District No. 11, Skagit County, Washington, adopted Resolution No. 897 concerning the dissolution and reapportionment of its directors' districts. This proposition would authorize the district to dissolve its five existing directors' districts and reapportion the district into three director's districts and with two directors at large to better facilitate citizen participation as board members. Should this proposition be:

Approved Rejected

The Secretary of Concrete School District Board of Directors is hereby directed to immediately transmit to the Superintendent of Educational Services District No. 189 (ESD Superintendent) a copy of this Resolution, duly signed and attested. The ESD Superintendent is hereby requested to take all procedural steps necessary and/or required by law to effectuate a special election to submit this proposition to the voters of the entire school district.

This Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Concrete School District Board of Directors on the 27th day of June, 2007, the undersigned directors being present and voting.

ATTEST: Barbara Hawkings, Secretary to the Board; Lucille Claybo, Board President; Vincent Hedrick; Edward Rogge.

Ballot Measure Full Text

Northwest Park and Recreation District No. 2 Resolution No. 1 Resolution Provided For The Submission Of Levy

A RESOLUTION of the Board of Park Commissioners of Northwest Park and Recreation District 2, Whatcom County, Washington, providing for the submission to the voters of the District at a general election to be held therein on November 7, 2007, in conjunction with the state general election to be held on the same day, a proposition authorizing a regular property tax levy of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00. This proposition would authorize the District to set and maintain a regular property tax levy of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation for 2008 and 2009, subject to any otherwise applicable statutory dollar rate limitations.

WHEREAS, it is the judgment of the Board of Commissioners of the District that it is essential and necessary for the preservation of natural areas, water quality and the creation of parks and trails that those services be provided by the District. Such services will necessitate the expenditure of revenues for acquisition of properties, creation of parks and bike trails and operation and maintenance of those sites and facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of Northwest Park and Recreation District 2, Whatcom County, Washington as follows:

Section 1. In order to preserve natural areas, water quality, develop parks, sports fields and bike trails in the District it is necessary for the District to operate and maintain those sites and facilities.

Section 2. In order to provide the revenue to pay the costs of preserving natural areas, water quality and providing recreational opportunities as described in section 1 and to maintain reserve funds sufficient to assure the continuation of such services, the District shall collect beginning in 2008, pursuant to RCW 36.68.400, a general tax on taxable property within the District at a rate of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation subject to otherwise applicable statutory limits. This property tax levy would be collected for a two-year period, 2008 and 2009.

Section 3. There shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the District for their ratification or rejection, at a general election on November 7, 2007 in conjunction with the state general election to be held on the same date, the question of whether or not the regular property tax levy of the District should be set at \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of true and assessed valuation in 2007 and be collected for the following two years, subject to otherwise applicable statutory limitations. Whatcom County as ex-officio Supervisor of Elections, is hereby requested to call such special election, and to submit the following proposition at such election, in the form of a ballot title substantially as follows:

NORTHWEST PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT 2 WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON PROPOSITION NO. 1 AUTHORIZING REGULAR PROPERTY TAX LEVY

The Board of Commissioners of Northwest Park and Recreation District No. 2 adopted Resolution No. 1 concerning a proposition to assess a regular property tax levy for a two year period of \$0.10 per \$1,000.00 of assessed valuation to preserve natural areas, water quality, wildlife habitat and support parks, bike trails and recreational programs in Blaine and Birch Bay. Should this Proposition be:

Approved _____

Rejected _____

Northwest Park and Recreation District No. 2; By: Ted Morris, Commissioner; Patrick Alesse, Commissioner; Betty Robertson, Commissioner; Jeralyn Smith, Commissioner.

Ballot Measure Full Text

POINT ROBERTS PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT #1 RESOLUTION ONE

A **RESOLUTION** of the Board of Directors of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1, Whatcom County, Washington, providing for the submission to the qualified electors of the district at the General Election to be held therein on November 6, 2007, a proposition of whether or not there should be levied a tax of approximately \$0.07 (seven cents) per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (based on 100% of true and fair value) to provide \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars) for the district's General Fund to pay the general expenses of maintenance and operation of the Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1, such levy to be made in 2007 and collection in 2008 and 2009.

WHEREAS, in order to properly provide for said operation and maintenance, it is deemed necessary that a tax of approximately \$0.07 (seven cents) per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (based on 100% of true and fair value) to provide \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars) for the district's General Fund be levied upon all of the taxable property within the district as permitted by law to be levied for the district, such levy to be made in 2007 for collection in 2008 and 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Constitution and Laws of the State of Washington require that the question of whether or not such a tax may be levied must be submitted to the qualified electors of the district for their ratification or rejection.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1, Whatcom County, Washington, as follows:

Section 1. It is hereby found and declared that the welfare of the residents of the district requires the district to carry out the plans hereinafter provided.

Section 2. In order to provide \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars) for the General Fund of the District, the district authorizes the County Council of Whatcom County to levy a tax of approximately \$0.07 (seven cents) per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (based on 100% of true and fair value) to be levied in 2007 for collection in 2008 and 2009 upon all taxable property within the District.

Upon approval by the voters of Proposition No. 1, hereinafter set forth, the district may use the proceeds of such levy during 2008 and 2009 tax years, and may expend the proceeds of said levy to pay the general expenses of maintenance and operations of the District as may be authorized or allowed by law for use of levy funds.

The Whatcom County Auditor as ex-officio supervisor of election in Whatcom County is hereby requested to find the need to call and conduct said levy election to be held within the district on said date and to submit to the qualified electors of the district the proposition hereinafter set forth.

The secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to certify said proposition in the following form:

PROPOSITION NO. 1 POINT ROBERTS PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT #1

Shall a tax, of approximately \$0.07 (seven cents), per thousand dollars of assessed valuation (based on 100% of true and fair value) to provide \$35,000 (thirty-five thousand dollars) for operation and maintenance purposes be levied for the Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1 in 2007 for collection in 2008 and 2009 upon all taxable property within the District, all as specified in Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1, Resolution One.

LEVY.....YES ()

LEVY.....NO ()

The Secretary of the Board of Directors is hereby authorized and directed to deliver a certified copy of this resolution to the Whatcom County Auditor.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Point Roberts Park and Recreation District #1, Whatcom County, Washington, at a meeting thereof, held July 5, 2007, the following directors being present and voting in favor of said resolution. **POINT ROBERTS PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT #1 Board of Directors:** Irene Waters, Bev Griffith, Shelley Damewood, Fred DeHaan, and Linda Hughes.

County Auditor and Election Department Contact Information

County	Mailing Address	City	Zip	Phone	TTY Service
Adams	210 W. Broadway Ave., Suite 200	Ritzville	99169	509-659-3249	509-659-1122
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Benton	P.O. Box 470	Prosser	99350	509-736-3085	1-800-833-6388
Chelan	P.O. Box 4760	Wenatchee	98807	509-667-6808	1-800-833-6388
Clallam	223 E 4th St., Suite 1	Port Angeles	98362	360-417-2221	1-800-833-6388
Clark	P.O. Box 8815	Vancouver	98666-8815	360-397-2345	1-800-223-3131
Columbia	341 E. Main St., Suite 2	Dayton	99328-1361	509-382-4541	1-800-833-6388
Cowlitz	207 N. 4th Ave., Room 107	Kelso	98626	360-577-3005	360-577-3061
Douglas	P.O. Box 456 213 S. Rainier St.	Waterville	98858	509-745-8527	509-745-8527, Ext. 297
Ferry	350 E. Delaware Ave. #2	Republic	99166	509-775-5200	1-800-833-6388
Franklin	P.O. Box 1451	Pasco	99301	509-545-3538	1-800-833-6388
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Voter Registration Information



IMPORTANT!

TO REGISTER TO VOTE, YOU MUST BE:

- ✓ A citizen of the United States of America
- ✓ A legal resident of Washington State
- ✓ At least 18 years old by Election Day

Mail-In Voter Registration Form

You may use this form to:

- Register to vote in Washington State
- Update your name or address information
- Request ongoing absentee ballots

Please complete all the information in boxes 1 through 11. Once you have completed this form, fold, seal and mail.

If you have been convicted of a felony, you must have your rights restored before you register to vote.

Keep your registration up-to-date!

You may not be able to vote in the next election if your county elections department does not have your current name or address on file. Use this form to update your information.

Note: In order to vote in the next election, your Mail-In Voter Registration Form must be **postmarked** at least 30 days before the next election. If you miss this deadline, your registration will not take effect until after the upcoming election. If you are not currently registered to vote in Washington State, you may also register to vote in person at your county elections department up to 15 days before any election.

If you are registering to vote for the first time in Washington State, submitting this form by mail, and did not complete box 2A or 2B, you must provide a copy of:

- Current photo ID;
- Current utility bill;
- Bank statement;
- Government check;
- Paycheck; or
- Other government documentation showing your name and address.

Once you have signed the completed form, place it in an envelope and mail to:

**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
VOTER REGISTRATION BY MAIL
PO BOX 40229
OLYMPIA, WA 98504-0229**

Mail-In Voter Registration Form



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1 NOTE: Voter registration requires U.S. Citizenship

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Will you be at least 18 years of age or older before Election Day? YES NO
 Are you a citizen of the United States? YES NO

Federal and state law require you to provide your Washington Driver's License number or Washington ID Card number. If you do not have a Washington Driver's License or Washington ID Card, provide the last four digits of your Social Security Number.

2 A. Washington Driver's License or ID Number _____ B. Last four Digits/SSN _____ Check here if you do not have a Washington Driver's License, ID Card, or SSN. **3** Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) _____

4 Last Name _____ Male Female Daytime Phone Number () _____

5 First Name _____ Middle Name _____ Jr. II Sr. III Email Address (optional) _____

6 Washington Residential/Physical Address (Required) _____ City or Town _____ ZIP _____

7 Address Where You Get Your Mail (if different from residential/physical address) _____ City or Town _____ State _____ ZIP _____

8 Check any that currently apply Military Domestic Military Foreign National Guard/Reserves U.S. Citizen Overseas

9 ONGOING ABSENTEE REQUEST NOTE: If your county is vote by mail, do not complete this section. A ballot will be mailed to you automatically.

I would like to receive absentee ballots for all future elections YES NO

10 NOTE: Previous registration information

I was previously registered under this name and address:

Name _____
 Address _____ County _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Sign as previously registered

X

WARNING: If you knowingly provide false information on this voter registration form or knowingly make a false declaration about your qualifications for voter registration, you will have committed a class C felony that is punishable by imprisonment for up to five years, or by a fine of up to ten thousand dollars or both imprisonment and fine. (RCW 29A.08.210)

11 Voter Declaration

By signing this document, I hereby assert, under penalty of perjury, that I am legally eligible to vote. If I am found to have voted illegally, I may be prosecuted and/or fined for this illegal act. In addition, I hereby acknowledge that my name and last known address will be forwarded to the appropriate state and/or federal authorities if I am found to have voted illegally. (RCW 29A.08.210)

- I declare that the facts on this registration form are true;
- I am a citizen of the United States;
- I am not presently denied my civil rights as a result of being convicted of a felony;
- I will have lived in Washington state at this address for thirty days immediately before the next election at which I vote;
- I will be at least eighteen years old when I vote.

(RCW 29A.08.230)

SIGN OR MARK IN THE BOX

X

12 If you are physically unable to sign your name, please have the person who assisted you in completing this form provide: NAME _____ ADDRESS _____

DATE SIGNED _____
 Month/Day/Year

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