

Why I'm Running

Camas has been good to me and my family. We have been here almost 20 years. I'm a widowed Dad with two sons who grew up here and still live nearby. At this stage of my life, I could live in many places but choose to stay in Camas. I want Camas to continue to be good for all those that are here and all those who will come. Our quality of life is good, and our community is safe and fun and engaged, but we are growing and maturing. I want to help ensure that we improve on what we have and do not lose our way as so many growing cities do. I'm not a multi-millionaire politician or local activist. I work but I'm not a business owner or developer. I have no personal agenda if elected.

EXPERIENCE

I've served Camas for almost 20 years, far more than any other candidate. I've worked with the City, the Port and the School District. I've led my HOA and helped others. I know how things work. I know the mistakes that have been made along the way, I know what we need to do differently. My life in Corporate America has trained me in many important areas. Finance, legal issues problem solving, planning, technical, negotiation, conflict resolution and change just to name some of it.

KNOWLEDGEABLE I am surprised how few know how our City government works, the process and the procedures, the roles of the City Councilors. Even by people running for office! Without a clear understanding, it is difficult to be effective and efficient. I've run boards, I've run meetings, I've served on empowered committees. And I know how to work with it all.



TRANSPARENT

I have nothing to hide – not an agenda, not my donors (family and close friends), not my ideas or beliefs. Ask me and I will tell you. We might not always agree but I will listen, and I will also explain my position.

REASONABLE

I don't believe there are many things that demand a hard line in the sand if you will. That is not to say that I am wishy washy, indecisive or weak. It means that I always look for a way forward, a way to resolve challenges with considerations for all

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for Camas City Council

