ATTENTION
This is the beginning of your county voters’ pamphlet. The county portion of this joint voters’ pamphlet is inserted in the center of the state portion. Each page of the county voters’ pamphlet is clearly marked with a blue color bar on the outside edge. All information contained in the county portion of this pamphlet has been assembled and printed by County Clerk Art Harvey.
Dear Josephine County Voter:

The November 2, 2010 General Election is at hand. In addition to weighing in on the gubernatorial race, the voters of Oregon will elect several congressional representatives, a senator and many other state officials. Josephine County voters will select a commissioner and other local officials as well.

I would like to urge you to read through this Voters’ Pamphlet. It will provide you with information regarding the measures shown on your ballot. It also contains measure arguments and candidate statements by those who have paid the required fee and chosen to be included in the pamphlet.* Please remember that your personal ballot will only contain the measures and candidate races for which you are eligible to vote.

If you are a registered voter and have not received your ballot in the mail by October 22nd, please call the Josephine County Clerk’s Office at 474-5243.

You may return your ballot either by mail or by dropping it in any one of the conveniently located Official Drop Boxes listed on the following page.

Your ballot must be in our office or in one of our Official Drop Boxes no later than 8:00 P.M., November 2, 2010. Postmarks do not count.

I would like to encourage all of you to participate in this important election. Exercising our right to vote is an easy and effective way to make our voices heard in our local community, our state, and our nation.

REMEMBER: EVERY VOTE COUNTS!

Sincerely,

Art Harvey, C.R.A., C.E.A.
Josephine County Clerk and Recorder

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Voting Instructions

At the NOVEMBER 2, 2010 General Election the voters of Josephine County should cast their votes as illustrated below.

TO VOTE YOU MUST COMPLETELY FILL IN THE OVAL ( ) TO THE LEFT OF YOUR RESPONSE.

TO WRITE-IN A NAME – FILL IN THE OVAL ( ) TO THE LEFT OF THE LINE AND WRITE-IN THE NAME ON THE LINE.

TO VOTE ON A MEASURE OR CANDIDATE ON THE BALLOT, SIMPLY FILL IN THE OVAL COMPLETELY NEXT TO THE YES OR NO OR CANDIDATE’S NAME.

USE A PENCIL OR BLUE OR BLACK INK PEN.

EXAMPLES:

PREIDENT
VOTE FOR ONE

☐ JOHN ALLEN
☐ THOMAS JEFFERSON
☐ J. Q. PUBLIC

Measures

☐ YES
☐ NO

PREIDENT
VOTE FOR ONE

☐ JOHN ALLEN
☐ THOMAS JEFFERSON
☐ J. Q. PUBLIC

☐ Billy Kidd

IF YOU VOTE FOR MORE CANDIDATES THAN ALLOWED, OR IF YOU VOTE BOTH YES AND NO ON A MEASURE, IT IS CALLED AN OVERVOTE. YOUR VOTE WILL NOT COUNT FOR THAT CANDIDATE OR MEASURE.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO VOTE ON ALL CONTESTS. THOSE YOU DO VOTE ON WILL STILL BE COUNTED.

IF YOU CHANGE YOUR CHOICE, SPOIL YOUR BALLOT, OR LOSE IT, CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE AT 541-474-5243.

REMEMBER TO VOTE BOTH SIDES OF YOUR BALLOT

Returning Your Voted Ballot

Vote your ballot.
Fold the ballot and insert it into the secrecy envelope.
Seal the secrecy envelope and insert into the colored return envelope.
Seal the colored return envelope and sign the statement on the back of the envelope.

Your ballot will not be counted if your envelope is not signed.

Place the appropriate first class postage on the return envelope and mail it so that it is received in the Josephine County Clerk’s Office or at an Official Ballot Drop Site location (no postage required) not later than 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, November 2, 2010.

IMPORTANT: YOUR BALLOT WILL NOT BE COUNTED IF IT IS NOT RECEIVED BY 8:00 P.M. NOVEMBER 2, 2010.

Josephine County Official Ballot Drop Site Locations
Open from October 16 until 8 p.m., November 2, 2010

Josephine County Courthouse:
The County Clerk’s Office (7:50 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday) Open 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. on election day
Next to the “C” Street Entrance (Tax Office Entrance) (24 hours / 7 days)

Drive-up Ballot Drop: Parking lot behind library. Enter from “C” Street (24 hours / 7 days)

Merlin: Umpqua Bank, Merlin Rd. & Monument Dr., parking lot (24 hours / 7 days)

Murphy: Ray’s Sentry Market, in front, on the left side of the building (24 hours / 7 days)

Cave Junction: Cave Junction City Hall, near front entrance (24 hours / 7 days)
**CAPTION:** Three-year City Police & Fire Local Option Tax.

**QUESTION:** Shall Grants Pass levy $1.79 per $1,000 assessed value, continuing City Police and Fire services three years beginning July 2011? This measure renews current local option taxes.

**SUMMARY:** This is not a new tax. This tax renews the current city police and fire levy. The current levy for Grants Pass Police and Fire operations ends June 30, 2011. The replacement levy would continue funding emergency police and fire response — 24 hours a day — 7 days a week. Public Safety services include neighborhood patrols, detectives, criminal investigation, traffic enforcement, fire protection, fire prevention, rescue, drug enforcement, gang prevention, dispatch, Citizens Public Safety Academy, street lighting, and response to vehicle crashes and emergency medical calls. The replacement levy would help maintain current city police and fire response time standards to emergency calls.

This replacement levy would fund only City Police and Fire operations and would insure City police officers and firefighters are not laid off when the current levy ends on June 30, 2011.

This 3-year local option levy of $1.79 per $1,000 assessed value would fund City Police and Fire operations. The levy would be approximately $256 per year for the average Grants Pass home.

The proposed rate would raise approximately $4,356,125 in Fiscal Year 2011-2012, $4,542,729 in Fiscal Year 2012-2013, and $4,734,745 in Fiscal Year 2013-2014.

**Explanatory Statement:**

Continued Police and Fire Service. This is not a new tax. This tax would replace the current city police and fire levy at exactly the same tax rate. Since 1986, City voters have approved police and fire financing by approving levies. In 2009, local voters approved the current levy for Police and Fire/Rescue services. It expires June 30, 2011. The levy would replace the expiring levy to continue to finance city police and fire services for the next three years.

Police and Fire Funding. Public Safety in Grants Pass includes Police, Fire/Rescue, Emergency Communications, 911 and Dispatch, Code Enforcement, Crisis Support Services and Street Lighting. All property taxes collected in Grants Pass are used exclusively for these police and fire services. Over the past two decades, the permanent property taxes have not been enough to support police and fire services. Police and Fire local option taxes, such as this one, have been approved to provide public safety funding.

Would Maintain Current Police and Fire Services. This Local Option Tax Rate Levy would maintain current services including police and fire/rescue emergency responses, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, street lighting, 911 and dispatch services, limited traffic enforcement, gang prevention, major crimes investigations, neighborhood patrols, crime/fire prevention, school programs, drug enforcement, K-9 program, community policing, citizen public safety academy, vehicle crash and emergency medical response, and national and state accreditation for the law enforcement and dispatch functions.

Tax Impacts. This proposal is for a 3-year Local Option Tax Levy to fund City Police and Fire Services from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014. The tax rate for this levy would be $1.79 per $1,000 of assessed value. The proposed rate would provide approximately $4,356,125 in Fiscal Year 2011-2012, $4,542,729 in Fiscal Year 2012-2013, and $4,734,745 in Fiscal Year 2013-2014. For a single family home in Grants Pass with a real market value of approximately $190,000 and a taxable assessed value of $143,000, if the levy is approved, the property owner would continue to pay a tax of $1.79 per $1,000 assessed value or approximately $256 for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.

Renewal of Current Local Option Taxes. Renewing the local option tax would continue to provide tax funding for Public Safety. If the levy is not approved, this tax resource would not be available to Public Safety. This replacement levy is to help maintain the current City Police and Fire response time standards for emergency calls. If approved, the continuing levy would remain unchanged from the levy that will expire June 30, 2011.

Provided by the City of Grants Pass
ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

We encourage you to vote YES for Renewal of the existing City Police and Fire Levy for 3 more years.

We know how critical police and fire services are to residents of the City of Grants Pass. A continuation of the City Police and Fire levy is crucial to maintain the quality of life we enjoy in this wonderful community.

Our Public Safety Department has provided excellent service for many years at an exceptional value. By employing cost saving efforts, including utilizing public safety stations for both police and fire service in the same buildings, our public safety department has been able to expand service to our coverage areas without asking for an increased levy rate this November.

The levy is not new and it does not increase the current rate!

It is a continuation of the existing rate for 3 more years.

It is a renewal of a series of police and fire levies that have been approved for 20 years. Without a YES vote, the current levy will go away.

Please don’t let this happen. Do not let the levy expire. We need YOUR YES VOTE to continue providing the police and fire services our residents need.

We agree it is critically important for your to VOTE YES and to continue our excellence in Police and Fire Services.

Mike Murphy  Daniel E. DeYoung
Tim Cummings  Del Renfro
Kris Woodburn  Lily N. Morgan
Rick Riker  Darin Fowler

(Portion furnished by Tim Cummings)

ARGUMENT IN OPPOSITION

PORK ALERT. Vote NO on this levy. There is an abundance of money in the City’s General Fund. This $13.6 million levy will be tacked onto our property taxes – roughly a 20% higher rate than 2 years ago. Help keep our City safe and still cut the fat.

The current budget has an approximate 50% Increase in Public Safety Overtime Pay Compared to 3 Years Ago. It also gives close to 29% Increase to City Administration for “administering” it. Confusing? More fancy government accounting that could allow City officials to use some of our Safety money on just about anything they may choose for their pet projects like the recent overpriced, unnecessary $92 Million Park Plan, new City Hall building, higher salaries, bigger retirements.

City officials have consistently resisted public requests to do an independent efficiency audit of the books. We want to trust City officials when they claim all property taxes are used exclusively for public safety. We don’t know - they won’t show us.

Grants Pass has a single GENERAL FUND, a multi-million dollar black hole, receiving not only property taxes, but water/sewer franchise fees, phone, tobacco, liquor, various licenses, and numerous other fees we must pay. The levy money is simply tossed into the pot with the rest. We need an efficiency audit. Where and how is all our tax levy money actually being spent? We don’t know - they won’t tell us.

As of this writing, several top City officials are under State investigation for multiple violations committed during last year’s levy vote.

A NO vote tells City officials “We’ve had enough. We need independent efficiency audits before financing another levy.” We’ll pay only for what’s needed to keep us safe - rather than needless pet projects. These are hard times. Trim the fat, and we can vote on a less costly levy next May.

NO MORE PORK. Our city can stay safe, and still cut the fat. VOTE NO.

Contact: http://cfohg.blogspot.com/

(The portion furnished by Bob Anderson, Citizens for Open, Honest Government.)

(The space purchased for $350 in accordance with ORS 251.285)

The printing of this argument does not constitute an endorsement by Josephine County, nor does the county warrant the accuracy or truth of any statements made in the argument.
### Nonpartisan for

**Josephine County Commissioner, Position 1**

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<td><strong>OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:</strong> Senior Legislative Advisor, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association</td>
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<td><strong>GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:</strong> Served on four national boards of directors: Washington Area State Relations Group; Consumer Federation of America; National Consumers League; Organizations Concerned for Rural Education. Legislative Intern, Senator Gordon Smith’s Washington, DC Office</td>
<td><strong>GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:</strong> Josephine County Budget Committee; Chair, The Job Council; Three Rivers School Board</td>
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**MEMBER OF:** Oregon Farm Bureau, Illinois Valley Grange, National Rifle Association (NRA)

**As Commissioner, I WILL:**
- Reduce the bureaucratic burden on local business and attract new JOBS
- Promote the fruitful stewardship of local renewable natural resources and agriculture
- Develop plans to secure long-term stable funding for effective LAW ENFORCEMENT
- NOT increase the size of government or burden on the taxpayer
- Use my state and national relationships to improve services for local VETERANS
- Work diligently as a ‘Public Servant’ to prepare for future challenges

**I am RIGHT for the job because of my:**
- Fresh ideas (i.e., convert our trash into renewable electricity to fund local government)
- Extensive management experience on four national boards of directors
- Deep roots in community and family ties to timber and agriculture
- Willingness to listen and work with others to find common sense solutions
- Legislative experience on energy, natural resources and rural issues

**I BELIEVE:**
- Local government must do more to foster local job creation
- In conservative principles and the Constitution
- Catastrophic forest fires are not the best stewardship of our renewable timber resources
- Entrepreneurs and sustainable natural resource management create jobs and wealth - taxes do neither

**Cast Your Vote for a Strong and Prosperous Future. Elect SIMON HARE for Josephine County Commissioner!**

*(This information furnished by Simon Hare)*

**For more accomplishments, please visit davetoler.com**

| **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Oregon State University, BS (Agricultural Business), Illinois Valley High School | **GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Josephine County Budget Committee; Chair, The Job Council; Three Rivers School Board |
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| **Cast Your Vote for a Strong and Prosperous Future. Elect SIMON HARE for Josephine County Commissioner!** | **Cast Your Vote for a Strong and Prosperous Future. Elect SIMON HARE for Josephine County Commissioner!** |

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Nonpartisan for

Josephine County Sheriff

DON ALLAIRE

OCCUPATION: Deputy Sheriff
Josephine County Sheriff's Office, Rancher.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Founded a warehousing and distribution company in 1968.

In 1981, transitioned to a consulting role and purchased ranch in the Applegate Valley. Built a hydro-electric plant to provide electricity for the family ranch. Volunteered 1982-1990, with Williams Rural Fire Department.

Became a Special Deputy in 1992; Reserve Deputy in 1993; 1994-2010, Deputy Sheriff Josephine County Jail and Courts. In 2001, was awarded outstanding Deputy of the Year for his dedication and accomplishments.


GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: 18 Years Josephine County Sheriff’s Office.

What I will do for the County

• I will exercise good stewardship of the County’s existing resources and eliminate redundancies and wasteful spending. I will eliminate the Undersheriff position saving approximately 100 thousand dollars annually. I will also streamline Administration with additional savings.

• I will seek funding through grants, but will share the information and requirements with the community prior to applying for and receiving monies instead of holding the County hostage to pass levies.

• I will increase morale from day one. This will lead to better efficiency from the staff and better service to the community. I will have an open door policy for the citizens and the staff. Most importantly, I will run the office “Hands On” as the Sheriff.

• I will instill trust in my supervision and staff to maximize the potential of what the office can bring to the community. I will restore 24 hour patrols.

• These are financially challenging times. This county needs responsible leadership that will follow office policies, not put their own wishes ahead of the citizens they serve. I will manage the existing financial resources of the department with accountability to build trust between the office and the community.

***VOTE DON ALLAIRE***

(This information furnished by Don Allaire)

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GIL GILBERTSON

OCCUPATION: Sheriff, Josephine County

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Police, Waterloo IA; International Police Task Force, DynCorp Intl., Bosnia & Kosovo; Instructor/Consultant - Special Tactics Association, Ltd., Waterloo, IA; Police Academy Instructor - Hawkeye Community College, Waterloo, IA

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: West High School (Waterloo, IA); A.A.S. Police Science, Upper Iowa University (Fayette, IA); B.A. Public Administration, Redstone Arsenal ( Huntsville, AL); FBI & US Army–Hazardous Device School; Air National Guard Supervisory Academy; Army Reserves Supervisory School; Incident Command School (N.A.T.O.)

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: U.S. Navy (Viet Nam Veteran); U.S. Air National Guard; U.S. Army National Guard; U.S. Army Reserves; International Police Task Force (representing U.S. State Department); Josephine County Sheriff (Elected)

The demands and expectations are high. The challenges are many. The tasks are neverending, and the resources are few. Still, after many years of law enforcement service, I enjoy coming to work every day. It is truly an honor to serve as your elected Sheriff. I am also exceptionally proud of our deputies and staff as they frequently exceed my high expectations of service to you.

My commitment is to provide the highest level of service possible in the challenging years to come. I am proud to be a “working” Sheriff. I will roll up my sleeves to get the job done and I expect nothing less from deputies or staff. I strongly believe in our core values of Service, Professionalism and Fiscal Responsibility.

During my first term, I have strived to make my office more accessible to the public and responsive to the community’s needs. I will continue working to serve and maintain relations with every part of the community. The Sheriff’s Office belongs to you. The position is too important to elect anyone who does not demonstrate integrity, vision, leadership, and innovative management skills.

I ask for your vote so that I may continue my faithful service to our community.

(This information furnished by Gil Gilbertson)

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Nonpartisan for

City Councilor, NW Ward 1

DON REEDY

OCCUPATION: Retired

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Insurance Broker, Workers’ Compensation Claims Administrator, Representative of Self-Insurers’ Association, Adult Education Teacher, Developed and Managed Health Plans for Active and Retired Employees. Vice-President Keeling & Co. Insurance Brokers, Director of Contractual Relations for Los Angeles Unified School District, Regional Vice President Adminco, Board of Managers for California Self-Insurers Association.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Grants Pass High School 1948-51, Woodbury College BBA Business Administration, Pepperdine University MS School Business Management and Administration, California Life Teaching Credential in Adult Education


DON REEDY HAS A PHILOSOPHY OF GOVERNMENT WE CAN SUPPORT

Don believes that city government must have the commitment of serving the people as it’s primary goal.

Don believes there must be no hidden agendas. Everything about the City, it’s workings and related costs must be available to all citizens.

Don believes that because of our economic situation, which may get worse, there must be no non-essential spending. Taxpayers funds must be spent judiciously.

Don believes that we must solicit input from all members of the community to assure that the voters have a real voice.

My pledge to the voters is to work toward these goals and to assure that the City remains strong financially and continues to be a community to be proud of - Don Reedy

VOTE DON REEDY
CITY COUNCILOR
NOVEMBER 2

(This information furnished by Don Reedy)

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Nonpartisan for
City Councilor, NE Ward 2

BILL KANGAS

OCCUPATION: Senior Test Technician for MET-ONE Instruments.

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Social Service Director for Royal Gardens Health and Rehab Center; Program Manager and part time coordinator for Josephine County; Hach Ultra Analytics; Litton Guidance; U. S. Air Force.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: Eastern Oregon State University Bachelor of Science Psychology; Rogue Community College Associate Science in Human Services/Counseling; Laney College Associate Science Electronic Technology; San Francisco State Engineering courses; Chabot College Management/Supervision courses.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Planning Commissioner Urban Area Planning Commission; City Councilor NE ward 2; Josephine County Commission for Family and Children; Josephine County Library Inc. (JCLI) Board member; City of Grants Pass Budget Committee member.

TO: Bill Kangas
From: Gil Gilbertson

Re: Personal support for seat on Grants Pass City Council

I have known Bill for several years and find him to be an honest individual who has demonstrated both integrity and fairness. I believe he is truly concerned for the citizens of this community, and their wellbeing.

Regards,
Gil Gilbertson
Grants Pass, Oregon

BILL KANGAS works for operating the City within funds available, yet maintaining the best quality of life for the people of the City.

BILL KANGAS is a strong advocate for safety in all areas of the City.

BILL KANGAS has outstanding communication skills.

BILL KANGAS works for sufficient job opportunities.

BILL KANGAS listens to the citizens’ views and will represent those views to the City Council.

BILL KANGAS is a strong proponent of seniors’ rights.

BILL KANGAS insures that all citizens’ rights are respected.

BILL KANGAS has been a resident of Grants Pass for over thirty-years. His wife, Linda, has been a resident for even longer. They have raised five children in this wonderful community and believe this is an exceptional place to live and work. Bill wants to keep Grants Pass a safe and great city.

Bill Kangas is the best choice for City Councilor NE Ward 2.

(Rick Riker)

OCCUPATION: Land Use Consultant


EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND: University of Miami, B.A.; Major Geography, Minor - Marketing.

GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Current city councilor since April 2010.

BACKGROUND: These are hard economic times but I have seen while serving with the current city council members, that we have the ability to work together to address these challenges. The Council will need to oversee a tight budget that shows fiscal restraint, while trying to maintain the high quality of life for Grants Pass.

I love Grants Pass. I have lived here since 1975, married to a native of Grants Pass. Having worked with County Planning for 20 years and in my own business since 1995, I feel I have good grasp of what is needed to keep our city a wonderful place to live.

My community involvement has included serving as the chairman of the Committee for the new Lincoln and Redwood Elementary Schools, gaining valuable insight from the local citizens as to the level of funding they could support for the building of two new schools.

That same insight is needed for that path of affordable living in Grants Pass, as the Council faces new challenges with the economy, and the daily functions of governing a town. As a council member I will continue to welcome input from the local community members. They help make me make wise and prudent decisions on their behalf. It is my goal for the Council, as a team, to continue healing the past, while providing reasonable and frugal financial direction.

I look forward to the opportunity to continue serving the people of our community.

e-mail: rjriker@charter.net

Paid for by Committee to Elect Rick Riker
560 NE F Street, #224, Grants Pass, OR 97526

(Rick Riker)
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**Nonpartisan for**

**City Councilor, SE Ward 3**

**GARY A. BERBLANT**

**OCCUPATION:** Public Defender (Attorney)

**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:**
Attorney; Teacher (elementary, secondary, community college); Sales Manager; Small Business Owner; Estate Manager; White Water Guide and Instructor; Chef; Bus Driver; Gymnastics instructor or; Security Guard; Farm Laborer

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Bachelors in Sociology; Teaching Certificates; Doctorate in Juris Prudence

**GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** City Councilor; Planning Commissioner; City Budget Committee

Our city is a wonderful place to live, to raise a family, to retire. Consequently, we face tremendous pressures. We continue to grow at a steady pace. It creates economic opportunity but also puts a significant strain on existing facilities, many of which are inadequate to handle the increased load. Demands on police, fire, parks and recreation, and other quality of life issues escalate. One of the most important roles of a city councilor is to make decisions today which will effect and guide this community to what it will be in 10, 20, 50, and 100 years.

Our community is made up of a wide diversity of backgrounds, interests, ages, races, religions and incomes. All must be fairly represented in the decisions of the council. The best interests of the community as a whole, needs to be protected and nourished, while also protecting the interests of the individual.

The council is made up of individuals (8 councilors and the mayor) but they cannot function unless they do so as a team. They must act by consensus and majority. To be truly effective, they must strive to achieve an atmosphere of cooperation, camaraderie, and collegiality. They must celebrate their differences, and even their disagreements, but do so with respect and compassion; find joy in the process.

I hope that with my background and experience, and commitment to these ideals, I can help move the council to meet these goals. I will always try to achieve this, with humility, respect, and humor.

gaberlant@gmail.com

(This information furnished by Gary A. Berlant)
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**JIM WILLIAMS**

**OCCUPATION:** Semi-retired Businessman

**OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Presently managing personal properties; Teacher, District 7 and Josephine County; Self-employed Contractor; Men’s Clothier, Langley’s Toggery.

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:** Willamette University; Southern Oregon College, Bachelor of Science Degree in Education.

**GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:** Currently serving on the Grants Pass City Budget Committee. Attends and participates in many City Planning, City Budget, City Council, and City Workshop meetings.

Stop! Look! Listen!

- I am confident that our City can stop unnecessary spending, taxation, and regulations.
- Together we can look at prioritizing all projects and services to maintain our economic vitality.
- And it will be my responsibility to listen to the citizens, employees, and businesses that make Grants Pass a vibrant place to live and work.

“With your vote we can make this happen.”

As an astute self-employed businessman, who has been through the good times and the hard times, Jim Williams knows the value of money, and is tight-fisted with other people’s money. He sees the need for Grants Pass residents’ to get the full bang for their tax bucks. As City Councilor he will make every effort to see that that happens.

Jim has lived in Grants Pass over 46 years, and raised his family here. He will dedicate his energy toward bringing new industry and good paying career oriented jobs to the Community. “Let’s keep our families together.”

“We can work together toward keeping generations of Grants Pass families in tact by helping to create careers that pay enough to support living here.” One of Jim’s goals is to enable residents to earn a good living in Grants Pass giving a choice of staying in the area throughout one’s lifetime. Families strengthen our community.

Jim Williams is strong, capable, and as City Councilor, willing to do whatever is in his power to help residents get through the present economic downturn and continue to thrive.

Stop! Look! Listen!

“With your vote we can make this happen.”

(This information furnished by Jim Williams)
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DARIN FOWLER

OCCUPATION: Small Business Owner

OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND: Owner—The Power Company, Electrical Service and Contracting, 11 years; electrician for 26 years.


GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE: Grants Pass City Council (March 2010–present); Grants Pass Parks Advisory Board; Josephine County Commission for Children and Families; Urban Area Planning Commission; Rural Area Planning Commission; Downtown River District Committee.

GOALS AS A COUNCILOR:

• Help to maintain the “small town” feel of Grants Pass by promoting a common sense approach to growth and utilizing smart planning methods.
• Preserve the health and welfare of our citizens by maintaining quality public safety with adequate funding.
• Work with fellow councilors and city staff to resolve budgetary issues while reducing unnecessary spending.
• To treat every matter that comes before the council with equal importance, listening carefully and weighing all information given before coming to any conclusion.

Darin’s experience on the City Council and planning commissions has provided him with a comprehensive knowledge of the City Council and how it operates. He knows the Development Code and how to apply it, and understands land use guidelines and the appeals process. Darin is fiscally conservative, with a strong belief that government must have a commitment to serving the people without any promotion of personal agendas. He promises to continue serving the people of Grants Pass with integrity, fairness, and intelligent reasoning if re-elected.

“As a 40 year resident of Grants Pass, I have watched our town grow from a small community that was reliant on the timber industry to a thriving, diverse city. We have a strong business core, arts, higher education opportunities, a flourishing tourism industry, and an appealing downtown district. Most of all we are a community of people that care about our town and doing the best we can to maintain our quality of life here in the beautiful Rogue Valley. I am very proud to call myself a member of this community.”

(This information furnished by Darin Fowler)

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Justice Building side, ground floor next to the elevator (24 hours / 7 days)
Next to the “C” Street Entrance (Tax Office Entrance) (24 hours / 7 days)

Library Drive-up Ballot Drop:
Parking lot behind library. Enter from “C” Street (24 hours / 7 days)

Merlin:
Umpqua Bank, Merlin Rd. & Monument Dr., parking lot (24 hours / 7 days)

Murphy:
Ray’s Sentry Market, in front, on the left side of the building (24 hours / 7 days)

Cave Junction:
Cave Junction City Hall, near front entrance (24 hours / 7 days)