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2008 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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The Municipal League of King County requests every candidate who participates in the candidate evaluation process to **submit background information prior to his/her interview with a candidate evaluation committee**. The questionnaire is the basis of the League's research and interview process. The League's ratings are non-partisan; they are based on standards of Involvement, Effectiveness, Character, and Knowledge, all of which have been developed and refined over the past 90 years.

A printed version of the questionnaire is available for candidates who prefer to use the traditional format. To obtain a hard copy, please contact the League office. A copy of this questionnaire will be provided to Candidate Evaluation Committee members to help them prepare for your interview. Candidate responses, except the confidential section, will be available to the general public at the League website.

The Municipal League requests the following materials from candidates. Please check to make certain you have sent in your:

- Candidate Questionnaire**
Sent by: **Email**
- Resume (education, employment, and professional activities)**
Sent by: **Email**
 - Check here if you DO NOT want your resume posted on the Municipal League website
- Campaign Materials**
Sent by: **Email**
- Constituent Newsletters and other publications**
Sent by: **Email**
- Photograph**
Sent by: **Email**

Note: Electronically submitted questionnaires are strongly preferred. All materials can be emailed to cec@munileague.org. They can be processed and made available on-line far more rapidly than handwritten or typed submissions.

For non-electronic submissions, please print clearly and legibly and return the application **as soon as possible in order to allow the committee the greatest amount of time to prepare a complete report on your skills and experience.**

**We request that you return the Candidate Questionnaire
by June 1, 2008**

If you have not yet been contacted to schedule an interview, or if you have questions about the candidate evaluation program, please contact the League office at 206-264-1070.

If you have a disability and require accommodation to participate in the candidate evaluation process, please contact the CEC Coordinator at the League office.

2008 Candidate Questionnaire

SECTION I

BASIC CANDIDATE INFORMATION

1. Name as it will appear on the ballot

First Name	Middle Initial or Nickname	Last Name
Marcie		Maxwell

2. Office sought (include office, jurisdiction, position/district number):

State Representative, 41st District, Position 1

3. Are you the incumbent? **No**

4. How long have you resided in this district/city?

I have resided at the same address since 1993.

5. How long have you resided in King County?

I have resided in King County since 1955 – born and raised in Seattle.

6. Is the office sought partisan or nonpartisan? **Partisan**

7. If partisan, please indicate party: **Democrat**

CAMPAIGN CONTACTS

Campaign Name: **Citizens for Marcie Maxwell**

Address: **PO Box 2048**

City/State/Zip: **Renton, WA 98056**

Campaign Phone: **425-466-8000**

Campaign Fax: **425-235-2400**

Campaign E-mail: marcie@marciemaxwell.org

Campaign Website: www.marcie-maxwell.org

POLITICAL BACKGROUND

1. Beginning with the most recent position, please list public offices you have held. Include positions on appointive boards or commissions.

Public Office	Elective or Appointive?	Dates Held	Leadership Role (if any)
School Board Director Renton School District Serve 100,000 constituents including nearly 14,000 students	Elected twice	2001 to current	Current Board Vice President, Past Board President & Past Board Vice President, Board Legislative Representative

2. If you ran for public office but were not elected, please list those races below:

Office Title	Year of Run
n/a	

SECTION II

In this section, we are seeking responses that reflect the four ratings criteria: involvement, effectiveness, character, and knowledge. These are defined as follows:

- **Involvement:** What has the candidate done previously in family, neighborhood, community, volunteer work, employment or public life to suggest readiness to accomplish challenging objectives? How do these activities demonstrate readiness for the challenges unique to the office sought?
 - **Effectiveness:** Has the candidate demonstrated promise of being productive in the office sought? Has the candidate shown the ability to work with other people?
 - **Character:** Do the candidate's personal traits show the ability to take on the responsibilities of campaigning for and holding the public office she or he is seeking? Is the candidate a leader, participant or observer? Is the candidate trustworthy, reliable and candid?
 - **Knowledge:** Has the candidate demonstrated the willingness and ability to learn and adapt? Does the candidate understand the duties and challenges of the office sought? Does the candidate have a firm grasp of the issues important to his or her constituency and their potential effects?
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1. In one page or less, why are you running for this office? (Note: the interview committee will be given a copy of this statement before your interview; at the beginning of your interview you will have the opportunity to expand on this statement in any way you wish.)

I've lived in the Puget Sound area for my lifetime. I've experienced our region's growth, prosperous and difficult economic times, and changing community demographics and needs. Washington State's role amongst world populations, trade activity, and events is a vital connection. Aerospace and technology industry leaders surrounding the 41st District provide economic stability, and help bring many more industry support jobs and needed service jobs to this region.

I care very much about the future of our Puget Sound area, and the world we will pass on to future generations. I've been fortunate throughout my careers to serve the local residents, and to give back my time and energy along the way. My leadership roles in many organizations have allowed me to help build a stronger community.

As a business owner working directly with thousands of individuals and families, I have come to understand many issues facing our community and our country. This insight has been valuable in my elected service as a School Board Director. My greatest passion is improving and investing in our education system. Strong public schools offer opportunities for all children to succeed as productive adults in our global economy. For this region to maintain and improve to our economic vitality and enjoy our quality of life, we need to ensure that children are well prepared for the future.

I am running for office because I feel that government has an unparalleled ability to improve how we each live and the larger community we share. As a legislator, I will work tirelessly to ensure government lives up to this responsibility.

2. Describe your most important personal characteristics or traits as they relate to the office you seek.

As a community leader for over two decades, I have demonstrated abilities to partner with people and organizations from many backgrounds and interests to improve the quality of life in our region. Combining successful business and public service experience, I work with vision in mind, listen to understand viewpoints of many, negotiate and problem solve, apply common sense and reason, step up to leadership positions, and make decisions for best results. I have been a champion for public schools, for children and families, for neighborhoods, for fairness, and for local communities.

3. Please describe, in sufficient detail, one to three accomplishments or contributions of which you are most proud. These examples should illustrate skills and capabilities you think apply to the office you are seeking. These accomplishments may have occurred at any time in your personal, professional, or public life.

- As a public schools leader, I introduced the 2007 ballot measure 4204, Simple Majority for School Levy Elections, to the Seattle King County Association of Realtors Government Affairs Committee. I advocated for their endorsement and active support as well as encouraged this group to submit for endorsement and support by the Washington Association of Realtors. SKCAR and WAR both endorsed, made substantial contributions, and subsequently real estate offices provided many phone bank sites throughout Washington State.

- I have been elected by my school board peers throughout King County for three two year terms as their Legislative Representative to the Washington State School Directors Association Legislative Committee. On the WSSDA Legislative Committee, I work cooperatively with other Legislative Representatives from both large and small school districts in urban and rural communities statewide as we advocate for quality public schools, funding for schools, school policies, safety, capital projects, board roles, and many other issues supporting children and schools.

- As a founding board member of the Renton Community Foundation, I helped create the vision, mission, and policies for this foundation which has grown from one fund of \$30,000 to now 40 funds with several million dollars supporting a variety of needs and providing services to donors throughout Renton and beyond. As Development Chair, I designed a unique Greetings Kit program which has brought in over 900 individual donations to Foundation funds and is now Renton's most popular way to give in honor or remembrance of someone.

4. Please list or describe current and past activities in the community in which you have acquired skills that relate to the office you seek. Include your role in the activity and the year(s) in which you were involved. Involvement consists of many areas such as family, neighborhood, community, employment, or public life.

Community Leadership

2004 Renton Citizen of the Year

2002 Renton Outstanding Citizen

Renton Chamber of Commerce

Chairman of the Board 2000

Current Board Member

Community Development Committee

Legislation & Transportation Committee

2005 & 2004 first ever Total Resource Campaign Chairman successfully raising over \$300,000 in sponsorships

Outstanding Business Citizen Award

Renton School District

Elected to two terms on Renton School Board, 2001 - current

Leadership for nearly 14,000 students and over 100,000 citizens

Serve entire school district area in Renton, Newcastle, South Bellevue, Fairwood, and Southeast Seattle

2004 Board President

2003 & 2008 Board Vice President

Past Budget Advisory & Audit Committees

Current Diversity Advisory Committee

Washington Association of School Administrators' 2007 Outstanding Community Leadership Award recipient

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Washington State School Directors' Association

Elected three terms by King County school board peers to WSSDA State Legislative Committee

National School Boards Association member

Renton Community Foundation

Founding board member

Development Committee Chairman

Created "Greetings" Card Kits generating donations to RCF and 40 RCF affiliated funds

Rotary Club of Renton

2007/2008 President

Rotary District 5030 Presidential Citation

Paul Harris Fellow

Kennydale Neighborhood Association

Founding board member

Elected three terms as President of the Board

Highlands Task Force

Task force member for Highlands residential and business district improvement plan

PTA Council

Past Renton Area PTA Council President ~ leadership network for 20 local PTA units
Past President at Hazen High PTSA
Past President at Maplewood Heights Elementary PTA
Hazen PTSA Golden Acorn Award
National PTA Life Membership Award 2000
Washington State PTA Outstanding Service Award 1995
Washington State PTA Outstanding Advocate Award 2008

Citizens for Renton Schools

Levy and bond election citizens' campaign committees, from early 1990's through 2008

Blue Ribbon Council

Local Renton leadership think tank council member
Participate in local partnership to support city economic development
Puget Sound Prosperity Partnership regional connection

Communities In Schools

Renton Advisory Council member
Past board member
40 Developmental Assets Community Advisory Committee

Seattle King County Association of Realtors

2002 SKCAR Community Service Award
Governmental Affairs Committee
Legislative key contact

Newcastle Chamber of Commerce

Long time business member

Volunteers for Issaquah Schools

Levy and bond election citizens' campaign Realtor Representative

People for Our Public Schools - Simple Majority for School Levies

Statewide steering committee

League of Women Voters of Washington

Member

Bellevue Chamber of Commerce

Member

Mercer Island Chamber of Commerce

Member

Employment History

Associate Broker, Certified Residential Specialist, Realtor

Windermere Real Estate (self employed as independent contractor) 1989 to present
2,400 client transactions closed and over \$500 million in sales
Top 1% achievement in company, region, and nationwide
CRS designation, earned by only 4% of real estate agents in the nation
Known amongst peers and clients for action, integrity, and results
Forum XXII selected member "Eastside Realtors Making A Difference"
2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 Seattle Magazine's Five Star Best In Client Satisfaction awards

Assistant Vice President, Branch Manager, Puget Sound Area Manager

Benj Franklin Savings Bank (now merged with Bank of America) 1973 - 1989
Lead manager in Seattle/Bellevue/Tacoma area of Northwest branch network
Financial services knowledge and skills
Residential real estate lending, construction lending, and personal lending
Retail deposit and retirement products, customer service and confidentiality
Human resources and budget management
Action plans and sales team achievement
Employee of the Year, Top Loan Producer, and Branch of the Year Awards

5. Please describe the duties of the office you seek. Which are the most important duties and why?

Providing best representation in government for the citizens and organizations in my 41st District and for the people of Washington State is the primary duty of a state lawmaker. It is the responsibility of a Legislator to work with clear priorities and communicate positions on those priorities with her voters. State Representatives draft and put in place responsible legislation and budgets. A representative should listen to and seek out varied information, opinions, and documentation from constituents, colleagues, and from people and organizations with specific interests and expertise. Each legislative action is not likely to please everyone so State Representatives must work to find common ground. In many of my past roles, I have been viewed as someone who finds compromise and I will take this skill with me to Olympia.

**EDUCATION BACKGROUND SUMMARY
FOR PUBLICATION IN CANDIDATE EVALUATION REPORT**

The Municipal League's Candidate Evaluation Report is distributed to voters in print and on our website. It includes a summary of the candidate's education. Please summarize your education in 120 characters (letters, punctuation, and space all combined). The League will delete material that exceeds the space limit by beginning with the last entry. Suggested order is (degree) (subject) (school) (year, if desired).

Note: *If this question is left blank the League will not include education information in your candidate profile.*

**CIVIC INVOLVEMENT SUMMARY
FOR PUBLICATION IN CANDIDATE EVALUATION REPORT**

The Municipal League's Candidate Evaluation Report includes a summary of each candidate's civic involvement. Please summarize your civic involvement in the space below. We will make every attempt to include the information in the Candidate Evaluation Report as submitted. Due to space restrictions in the Report, your response is limited to 500 characters (letters, punctuation, and spaces all combined). It is important that you list your involvement beginning with the most important and ending with the least important. If you exceed the length of response permitted, or if the League should find it necessary to shorten responses for publication purposes, deletions will be made beginning with the last item listed.

Note: *This information will appear verbatim on the League's Candidate Evaluation Report. If this question is left blank, the Municipal League will not include information on your civic involvement in the Report.*

Check here if you would like the Municipal League to copy the first 500 characters from Question 4 to paste into this section.