

2009 Candidate Questionnaire

SECTION I

BASIC CANDIDATE INFORMATION

1. Name as it will appear on the ballot

First Name	Middle Initial or Nickname	Last Name
eugene	Gene	cerino

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

Auburn city council position 2

3. Are you the incumbent? x Yes No

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

50 years

5. How long have you resided in King County?

54 years

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

7. If partisan, please indicate party:

CAMPAIGN CONTACTS

Campaign Name: Committee to re-elect Gene Cerino

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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)
Auburn city council	elective	2002-2010	Chair of municipal services. Vice chair public works and finance committee
Auburn city council	Elective	1996-2000	

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

Office Title	Year of Run
Auburn city council	2000

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 have the time and the background to be an effective representative of the citizens of Auburn in this time when all cities have to be ready to be involved in the regional committees that make decisions on distribution of funds and make rules we have to abide by.

As well I have time to study and get prepared to vote on the issues such as resolutions and ordinances that are necessary to run the day to day business of the city. My previous 12 years on the city council have given me an understanding of the issues that we face in organizations such as the Puget Sound Regional Council (where I sit as an alternate representative of the other cities of Pierce County on the Transportation Committee), the Suburban Cities Association,

Pierce County regional council of which Auburn is a voting member as we have 6 to 8 thousand citizens who live in Pierce County and for 8 years I have been their representative to this committee, Pierce County Cities And Towns where I have been a attendee for 8 years,

Peoples concern might be my age as I am 82 years old but my health and stamina are equal to many 20 years younger. I work regularly as a substitute at all 4 of Auburns High School where my experience of 27 years as a high school teacher and coach help in the exercise of subbing. Also I follow a regular regime of exercise and participation in a competitive group that plays water basketball at the Auburn YMCA.

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

**I am a people person who finds it easy to meet and mingle.
I have the ability to challenge when I believe that a challenge is necessary.**

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 high school wrestling coach I have been selected
And am a member of the State of Washington Coaches Hall of Fame and also the National Coaches Hall of Fame.**

I was appointed in 1968 to the National High School Rules Committee and helped write the 1st national rules book for High School wrestling.

As the chair of the state wrestling coaches association I brought high school cultural exchanges in athletics to the State of Washington

I am the personal author of Auburns Dangerous dog ordinance.

I led the battle that changed the definitions of M1 zones to allow small works to develop on their property.

I made modifications to Auburns Wetland regulations that made it possible for development of many areas that previously were undevelopable without expensive mitigation.