

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
Don		Davidson

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

Bellevue City Council Position 6

3. Are you the incumbent? Yes No

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

42 years

5. How long have you resided in King County?

42years

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

7. If partisan, please indicate party:

CAMPAIGN CONTACTS

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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)
Bellevue City Council	Elective	2001-present	
Bellevue City Council	Appointive	1998-1999	
Bellevue City Council	Elective	1984-1996	Mayor, 1994-1995 Mayor Pro tem, 1990-1991

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

Office Title	Year of Run
Washington State Insurance Commissioner	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 moved to Bellevue 43 years ago because it was a wonderful place to live and bring up my family and it still is. I have always believed in giving back to your community through service. By reading my Biography, you will see how it has led to my current position. After reading my website reelectdondavidson.com , the interview committee will be filled on the many details.

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

1. **I take time to listen to my constituents and try to help whenever possible.**
2. **I like to solve difficult problem in a group setting.**
3. **I am committed to make Bellevue a dynamic place where people can work and raise a family.**

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.

1. **Planning for growth through citizen involved comprehensive planning.**
2. **Developing a partnership with Seattle and Tacoma in the delivery of water.**
3. **Built a strong fiscal foundation through conservative budgeting.**

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.

I would like to refer you to my Biography attached to this questionnaire.

5. Please describe the duties of the office you seek. Which are the most important duties and why?
 1. **The fiduciary responsibility of a council member.**
 2. **Setting policies in a balanced and fair manner to all concerned.**
 3. **Representing the citizens of Bellevue in a respectable manner.**