

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
Matthew	J.	Gregory

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

Council Pos. 5, City of Kirkland

3. Are you the incumbent? Yes No

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

30 years

5. How long have you resided in King County?

37 years (36.5)

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)
LWSD #414 Director No. 2	Elective (but appointed to fill unexpir. term)	June 2006 to Dec 2006	
Kirkland Planning Commission	Appointed (3 times)	3/22/99 to 3/31/2009	Chair Jan. 2002 to May 2003

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

Office Title	Year of Run
LWSD #414 Director No. 2	1996

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 am running of this open position, not against anyone, as I feel I am well qualified and prepared so assume the responsibilities.

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

I am known to do my homework, read my packet, listen to public comment, express my opinion after careful thought, work with others during deliberation, and attempt to reach a consensus. On the current council, I served with 4 on KPC.

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) I was an award winning public school architect for 17 yrs that project projects in on time and budget. 2) I have become inspirational speaker for the LWS Foundation & 3) I have helped shaped the heart of the conversation on controversial plng projects.

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.

Please see attached list on separate sheet.

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

Council members are elected to effectively uphold the city charter for the public's health and life safety. Most important this next year is to elect a mayor, hire a city manager and prepare for annexation.