

## 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
Geoff	T	Koepp

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

**kent City Council**

3. Are you the incumbent?       Yes       No

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

**since 2000**

5. How long have you resided in King County?

**since 1997**

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)

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

Office Title	Year of Run

## 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 to build a better team for the Kent City Council. To build a better relationship with the Neighborhood councils and Kent Citizens. To better manage the assets and fiscal needs of the city. Especially with the current economy. To bring the higher paying jobs to Kent by implementing growth policies for the city. To better advise on implementation of the permitting process in the city of Kent. To bring more of the jobs in the region to the city of Kent. To bring the kind of jobs that will keep more of the people and money in Kent. This too will reduce the amount and what needs to happen to improve traffic in Kent. Overall, I want to do a good job of showing up and on time and making sure the needs of our citizens are heard and taking into consideration.**

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

**I am a total people person. My ability to allow people the space and time to say what needs to be said is an important personal characteristic. My Customer service background with my job has been good training for being at service to citizens. That aspect alone is more important than anything else I can bring to this job.**

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.

**Building my Alumni Association up and their ability to contribute to each other and be at service to each other. I think I bring that aspect to the Neighborhood councils.**

**I am happy with my contribution in JA and our schools. Impacting kids financial education and their ability to function in society. We absolutely need more functioning citizens.**

**I also love that I work with teens and turning them around and having them turn into functioning self reliant excellent citizens.**

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.

**My involvement in my HOA over 2 2yr terms**

**My involvement in my Alumni Association over 13 years**

**My involvement in Church Board over a 2 year period**

**My involvement in JA over the last year**

**My involvement in the KCLTC Advisor Council and around LTC facilities over the last couple of years.**

**My Practice as a Financial planner over the last 5 years**

**My previous job as a Project Deployment Project Manager for 5yrs**

**My leadership in college presidents council**

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

**City councilman position is responsible for the administration of the budget and also for the leadership and work on committees that they represent for the city. Leadership and community relations and program management for the city.**