

2010 Candidate Questionnaire

SECTION I

BASIC CANDIDATE INFORMATION

1. Name as it will appear on the ballot

First Name	Middle Initial or Nickname	Last Name
Sandy	L	Guinn

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

Legislative Representative, District 1, Position 1

3. Are you the incumbent? Yes No

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

20 years

5. How long have you resided in King County?

20 years King County & 20 years Snohomish County

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

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

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)
City Council	Elected	1998 - 2009	Deputy Mayor (2005 – 2009)
See attached	See Section II, Item 4	various	
Planning Commission	Appointive	1997 - 1998	Vice Chair

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

Office Title	Year of Run
City Council	2009

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 for State Representative to bring our state out of a recession and get people back to work, rebuild our fiscal position, and invest in education and infrastructure. My track record as a councilmember is based on setting goals that focused on strengthening the cities financial position through economic development and building the necessary infrastructure. This was accomplished by setting priorities, working together, and a lot of hard work.

During my time on city council, we paid off long-term debt, raised the bond credit rating from A1 to Aa3, established a 20% rainy day fund, zero property tax increase for the last six years, received the Governor's Smart Communities award for our capital facilities plan, hired the City's first Economic Manager and the City's first Tourism Coordinator, purchased right-of-way for the realignment of SR 522 (which will create 2 ½ new blocks for commercial development), purchased the School District property, brought McMenamins to Bothell (which will serve as a catalyst for school district property/downtown redevelopment and preserve a historic building through private ownership), adopted a new downtown master plan based on extensive public involvement and economic development, and there is no business and occupation tax.

2. Describe your most important personal characteristics or traits as they relate to the office you seek.
 - Able to look at and understand different view points on an issue and then work with people of different view points in achieving a common ground and good solutions;
 - See possibilities and solutions before they become obvious;
 - Good at setting priorities and accomplishing them;
 - Frugal

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.
- a. **The first accomplishment that I am most proud of is the focus on economic development and preparing the City to be financially secure.**

For many, many years, the City had been working with the Northshore School District to relocate their bus barn from downtown to a new location and then redevelop the school district land. This was not only important for the school district, but it would make the City of Bothell more financially secure. It became clear that the only way this would occur was for the City to purchase the land from the school district. In a 4 / 3 council vote (I voted yes), the City entered into a memorandum of understanding to purchase the Northshore School District property. Critics told us that “the City has no business being in the development business... And the City wants to realign SR 522 in the process? You’re crazy... The costs are prohibitive... You’ll never accomplish this in my lifetime.”

Two years later when we entered into an agreement to purchase the Northshore School District property, it was a 7 / 7 vote. Land has been purchased for the realignment of SR522 (currently under construction), and the City has entered into an agreement with McMenamins (on the school district property) to serve as a catalyst. The necessary infrastructure to serve new development is in the process of being constructed. The historic Anderson School building is being renovated by McMenamins and Bothell citizens will have use of the swimming pool free of charge for 15 years (Ruiz - Costie pool).

By entering into the memorandum of understanding to purchase the land, it allowed the City to actively start the economic development process sooner than later.

- b. **The second accomplishment that I am most proud of is working with diverse groups of people to solve issues**
- **While serving as Chair of the Parks Recreation and Service Area Board, I brought forward the idea to electeds from King and Snohomish counties, and the cities of Woodinville, Bothell, and Kenmore, to jointly fund the Ruiz – Costie pool when King County was divesting itself of their pools.**
 - **Most recently worked with human service providers and staff to assist the human service agencies by showcasing their services at events such as the Music in the Park series and individually meeting with each agency to assure that we would honor our funding through the budget cycle and to see how we could assist them in these difficult economic times.**
 - **Every year I went to Olympia on behalf of City of Bothell to meet with Senators and State Representatives to discuss and lobby for solutions for a wide variety of issues. City of Bothell held their first manufacturing housing forum in October 2008 because of the relationships developed during these visits.**
 - **New Traffic Calming Program for local and arterial streets, which met with approval from neighborhoods, police and fire. Many cities now seek advice from our Traffic Division, including the City of Seattle. Worked with homeowner groups, staff, and school district to create safer crosswalks.**
 - **Realignment of 39th and York through partnership with Snohomish County (eliminated cut-thru traffic). Citizens wanted speed bumps. In looking at the issue, it became clear more than speed bumps would be required.**
 - **Combination of re-routing of SR522, extending Main Street across SR527, and turning SR527 into a multi-way boulevard created 2-1/2 new blocks of commercial development in the downtown. This covered a 10 year period with extensive public outreach and public involvement.**

- 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.
 - Bothell City Council 1998 – 2009
 - Deputy Mayor (Bothell) 2005 – 2009
 - Bothell Planning Commissioner 1996 – 1997 (Vice Chair 1997)
 - University of Washington Business Development Advisory Board member 2008, 2009
 - Economic Development Committee 2003 thru 2009
 - Developed and promoted legislative priorities for City of Bothell and went to Olympia yearly to lobby for priorities, including speaking before committees on behalf of Bothell - funding for UW/Cascadia Bothell off ramp, tougher identity laws, and protection of manufactured housing Years 1999 through 2009
 - Tourism Advisory Committee, Chair 1999 – 2000
 - Eastside Transportation Partnership 1998, 1999, 2000, 2006 - 2009
 - I-405 Executive Committee 2000
 - Seashore Transportation Forum 2002, 2003, 2004
 - Northshore Park and Recreation Service Area Board Member 2000 – 2009; Chair 2002, 2003 Served on the board when the bond to build the center was passed and served as Chair of the NPRSA when the Health and Wellness Center was built
 - King County Regional Policy Committee 2002 - 2003
 - King County Water Quality Committee 1998 - 1999
 - Snohomish County Tomorrow Committee 2003, 2004, 2005
 - Snohomish County Cities and Town 2001, 2007, 2008, 2009
 - Sammamish Watershed Forum 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004
 - WRIA 8 2003 (alternate)
 - Human Services Committee 1998 through 2009
 - Many, many other City of Bothell subcommittees, including Brightwater Committee, Finance, Capital Facilities, Utilities, Community Outreach, in addition to the Library Centennial Committee, Leoff I Board, Joint Fire Advisory Board, Transportation Caucus, and Suburban Cities Association

Other Professional Experience:

Certified Pharmacy Technician
 Community Service Officer - Police Department
 Senior Administrative Assistant to Development Services Director

Education:

Everett Community College, Central Washington State College, and
 AWC Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership Program

Other Community Service:

Girl Scout Leader
 Soccer Coach
 Volunteered weekly at public elementary school

- Please describe the duties of the office you seek. Which are the most important duties and why?
 1. Most important duty is to uphold the Constitution of the United States and Washington State's constitution. Why? Because all political power is inherent in the people, and governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, and are established to protect and maintain individual rights.
 2. Second most important duty is to listen to and represent citizens fairly and equally while I am in office. Why? It is the right thing to do.
 3. Third most important duty is to enact laws by bill in accordance with state law and Constitution of the United States. Why? Not only because I will have sworn to uphold the constitution, I strongly believe in our form of government.
 4. Write legislation that benefits keeping and creating jobs and work together to get our citizens back to work. Why? Our state cannot be financially strong if our citizens are not working.