

TULSA AREA VOTER GUIDE

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THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF METROPOLITAN TULSA is a nonpartisan organization that provides information about political issues and candidates for public office in order to promote greater citizen responsibility and participation in government. As a nonpartisan organization, The League neither supports nor opposes any political party or candidate. It publishes and distributes factual information for citizens to use when preparing to cast an informed vote.

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ON THE COVER:

The John Hope Franklin Center for Reconciliation and Reconciliation Park's objective is to foster greater understanding within the community and to affirm the truth that liberty, justice, and equality must be readily available to all. A public-private partnership, Reconciliation Park is owned by The City of Tulsa and managed by The John Hope Franklin Center for Reconciliation, Inc., a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. In the spirit of Dr. John Hope Franklin, the Center promotes reconciliation and generates trust through scholarly work and constructive community engagement in Tulsa and beyond.



When it comes to elections, voters have lots of questions. Some are as simple as "where do I go to vote?" Other questions are harder, such as "who should I vote for?"

The League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Tulsa's 2022 Voter Guide can help voters answer some of those important questions.

The Voter Guide is a nonpartisan project that offers information about voting as well as statements from the candidates running in the Nov. 8, 2022, election. The information you find in the Voter Guide is information that the candidates themselves provided through the League's vote411.org platform. The League does not endorse or oppose any candidate.

We hope you find the Voter Guide helpful as you head to the polls. Because informed and prepared voters who exercise the right to vote are the power behind our democracy.

See you at the polls!

Lynn Staggs, President
League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Tulsa

Oklahoma's election system is considered one of the most reliable, accurate, and secure systems in the world.

Why should you trust your vote is counted?

- Proof of identity is required no matter how you vote. Check the voter information requirements on the next page to see what forms of ID are accepted.
- No matter where you live in our state, voting is the same for more than 2 million registered voters. We mark the same style of ballots and are subject to the same standards and regulations.
- Oklahoma's voting devices are never connected to the internet.
- The State Election Board monitors social media and other platforms for misinformation and disinformation. Action is taken to correct and/or report the dissemination of false election and voter information.
- A law enacted in 2020 created an official definition of "Absentee Ballot Harvesting" and new criminal penalties for these acts. Absentee ballot harvesting -- when a third party collects and drops off absentee ballots to an election official -- is unlawful at any election conducted by a county election board in Oklahoma.
- Ability to check voter registration status any time. Go to <https://okvoterportal.okelections.us/> to check your status.

This Voter Guide is published by the League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Tulsa. The League has a long tradition of publishing the verbatim responses of candidates to questions important to voters. The League offers this Voter Guide to help citizens make informed decisions at the polls. The League of Women Voters never supports or opposes any candidate. Offices are listed in the order in which they appear on the ballot.

Candidates who drew no opponents and candidates who drew opponents from their own party and were elected in the June 28th primary or the August 23rd run-off elections will not be on the General Election ballot and are not listed in this guide.

Every candidate in Tulsa County was sent an invitation to participate and those who responded received a link to Vote411.org in order to input their answers to questions and to provide biographical information. The League neither edits material nor changes spelling, punctuation, or grammar of candidate submissions.

No state questions will appear on the ballot for 2022. In additional, state-wide election may be found at <http://www.okvoterguide.com> or you can pick up a print edition of The Oklahoma Voter Guide at any public library in Tulsa County.

On occasion, the League of Women Voters decides to oppose or favor initiatives that appear on the ballot when warranted by League public policy positions adopted after extensive study. In such cases, the League's stance will be detailed in a separate publication.

The League of Women Voters of Metropolitan Tulsa provides complete voting information on our website at <http://www.lwvtulsa.org>

Lastly, check out <http://www.vote411.org> to create your own personalized ballot and go into the voter booth informed and prepared!

VOTER INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

The proof of identity law requires every voter who votes in person at the precinct polling place or during early voting at the County Election Board to show proof of identity before receiving a ballot.

There are three ways to prove your identity.

1. PHOTO IDENTIFICATION

A document used for proof of identity must have been issued by the U. S. government, the State of Oklahoma, or a federally recognized tribal government.

The law requires a document used for proof of identity for voting to contain the following information:

- The name of the person to whom it was issued
- A photograph of the person to whom it was issued
- An expiration date that is after the date of the election, unless the identification is valid indefinitely

The law requires the voter's name on the proof of identity document to "substantially conform" to the voter's name in the Precinct Registry. In other words, your name on your proof of identity must match your name in the Precinct Registry.

2. COUNTY ELECTION BOARD VOTER IDENTIFICATION CARD

In addition, voters may use the free voter identification card they received by mail from the County Election Board when they registered to vote. The law allows use of the voter identification card even though it does not include a photograph.

3. AFFIDAVIT WITH PROVISIONAL BALLOT

If you do not have or if you refuse to show proof of identity, you may vote by provisional ballot and prove your identity by signing a sworn affidavit. It will take time to do the paperwork, but all County Election Boards say your vote will be counted if the name on the affidavit that accompanies the provisional ballot matches the name on the

voter rolls and your provisional ballot is cast in the precinct where you are registered to vote. Be sure the name you put on the affidavit matches the name you used to register to vote.

ELECTION DAY VOTING

Polls open at 7 a.m. on Election Day and remain open until 7 p.m. If you are in line by 7 p.m. you can vote. You can vote in person at your polling place in the precinct in which you live.

There are three ways to find your precinct:

- Look at your Voter Identification Card for the name and address of the polling place;
- Go to Vote411.org;
- Use the Oklahoma Election Board's OK Voter Portal:
<https://www.ok.gov/elections/OVP.html>

ABSENTEE & EARLY VOTING

The deadline for requesting an absentee ballot is 5:00 pm on Monday, October 24, 2022. Here are two options for you to obtain the Absentee Ballot Application:

- Complete and submit on-line at this link:
<https://www.oklahoma.gov/elections/OVP.html>
- Download a copy to print and mail in at:
<https://oklahoma.gov/content/dam/ok/en/elections/absentee-ballots/absentee-ballot-application.pdf>

Completed standard absentee ballots may be mailed or dropped off in person at the County Election Board up to 5:00 pm the day prior to the election.

Voters may also cast their vote in person during the early voting period. Early voting will take place as follows:

Location:

- Tulsa County Election Board, 555 N. Denver Ave, Tulsa, Oklahoma
- Hardesty Regional Library, 8316 E 93 St, Tulsa, Oklahoma

Times:

- Wednesday, November 2, 2022 – 8:00 am. – 6:00 pm
- Thursday, November 3, 2022 – 8:00 am. – 6:00 pm
- Friday, November 4, 2022 – 8:00 am – 6:00 pm
- Saturday, November 5, 2022 – 8:00 am – 2:00 pm

For more information about the absentee voting process and the current COVID-19 guidelines/updates, please check the following website:

<https://oklahoma.gov/elections/voters/absentee-voting.html>

TIME OFF TO VOTE

Employees who begin their work less than three hours after the polls open (7am) and finish less than three hours before the polls close (7pm) are entitled to two hours leave to vote. You must give notice the day before the election and must provide proof of voting to not have your pay reduced. The employer can set the time the employee can leave to vote.

TULSA CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATES

The local laws of Tulsa (called city ordinances) are passed by the Council, which is the legislative body. The Council, through ordinances and resolutions, provides for licenses, permits, and certificates which are issued by city departments and agencies. Appeals of such actions are subject to review by the Council. The Council approves the mayor's budget, and has the power to conduct investigations and hearings concerning the conduct of city government.

All city councilors elected will serve two-year terms and are elected by the resident voters in each of nine geographic city council districts. Six city council district elections were decided in the primary election on August 23, 2022. Three remaining council seats will be decided in the general election, between the two candidates in each district who received the highest number of votes in the August election.

TULSA CITY COUNCILOR DISTRICT 5



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Questions:

Q: What experience, insights and abilities will you bring to the City Council that make you especially qualified for the position?

A: Working for a local non-profit and being a city councilor, I am on the human side of neighborhood development. As such, I am a problem solver who will do what it takes to make things right for the residents of Tulsa.

I have experience working directly with and organizing communities to push for change and find solutions through effective partnerships. For example: I have regularly had to strategize with Tulsa Police as a shelter coordinator to find positive outcomes for our youth who feel out of options; and I work with Tulsa Public Schools to find transportation and enrollment solutions for families that have limited access to resources.

Through my work and years of volunteer service, I have developed relationships with services and government officials across the state that can help bring sustainable change to our District.

Q: What do you believe the role of the City Council to be?

A: We are responsible for making responsible decisions with the city budget and making sure our districts needs are addressed when creating ordinances and implementing programs.

Q: What are your top priorities for your district? What will you personally do toward accomplishing those goals?

A: We have the busiest police squad in the city and struggle to keep up with the call volume and respond in a timely manner. We need to stand up the real time information center to help coordinate responses to calls and increase resources to dispatch and 911 to be more efficient.

District 5 is mainly residential and with that carries blight. We need our homes taken care of and when they aren't we need to remove them. We create unsafe situations when home and businesses are neglected. We need to increase the WIN budget specifically for removal of nuisance property's and hold neglectful property owners accountable.

Q: How do you plan to involve citizens in the decision-making process?

A: Citizens should continue to email with questions and concerns so that I can best advocate for the district. Attending town halls and council meetings are also a great way to make sure your views and needs are heard. I want more district 5 citizens to volunteer for authorities boards and commissions to ensure we have the representation in all city efforts.

Q: The City Council should have approval power over major Mayoral appointments (e.g. Chief of Police).

A: Disagree

Q: Please explain your answer to question 5.

A: Over the last two years one of the most politically partisan votes that I participated in was the appointment of Bob Jack to a Tulsa board. It was contentious and a spectacle; our positions are non partisan because the people don't want the kind of drama that confirming appointments can create. We need clear lines between executive functions of our city and the governmental functions. People that work for the city should be judged by their qualifications and performance not their politics.

TULSA CITY COUNCILOR DISTRICT 5



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Questions:

Q: What experience, insights and abilities will you bring to the City Council that make you especially qualified for the position?

A: I am a small business owner. I have grown and sold multiple insurance agencies as well as founded and sold a technology platform for the insurance industry. Problems are opportunities. I have the ability to recognize opportunities and create solutions that benefit stakeholders. With a military and police background I have proven I have a heart for service.

Q: What do you believe the role of the City Council to be?

A: The role of the city council is to represent the people of Tulsa in local issues. From my perspective, the role of an individual councilor is to be available for citizens of the district and represent their interest. Each district has unique challenges and a good representative will have a direct line to the people of their district in order that they may understand the needs and act quickly on them.

Q: What are your top priorities for your district? What will you personally do toward accomplishing those goals?

A: My number one goal is representative availability. Candidates can have goals for their districts of course but the goals are typically going to be vague and the action plan impractical. What I guarantee for my district is a representative who cares about the individual issues that come about on a daily basis. The park needs a trash bin, street light out for weeks, rash of burglaries, city services insufficient in a given area...All of these kinds of everyday

issues that affect individual citizens are what's important to me. For this reason I will always be available in a timely manner for my district. Additionally, I promise never to vote to raise the cost of water for citizens and will be vocal to the corporation commission and propose resolutions against citizens picking up the slack for energy companies who want to charge Tulsans more money for their own errors and failure to plan.

Q: How do you plan to involve citizens in the decision-making process?

A: I have purchased a separate, personal cell line which will be available to all residents. They may call or text any time. My pledge is that I will always be an ear, constituents will always be heard and, even where I may not be able to personally handle an issue, they will always receive a response back about their concern in a timely manner.

Q: The City Council should have approval power over major Mayoral appointments (e.g. Chief of Police).

A: Support

Q: Please explain your answer to question 5.

A: Checks and balances are essential to government. A mayor should be accountable to the city council and should not have sole discretion over appointments. This improves the quality of appointees by ensuring wide acceptance.

TULSA CITY COUNCILOR DISTRICT 6



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Questions:

Q: What experience, insights and abilities will you bring to the City Council that make you especially qualified for the position?

A: My years of service on the city council has provided me with a broad base of knowledge on the workings of our city government, including drafting ordinances, and understanding policies and procedures related to code enforcement, zoning, animal welfare, streets, storm water, and city utilities among others.

The experience related to the budget & bond development process, is especially important in understanding and recognizing legal uses and expenditures related to the

various sub-funds. These skills take time to learn and will be vital as we begin work on the new Vision package in the coming term.

Q: What do you believe the role of the City Council to be?

A: The council is the legislative branch of our city government, as such we work on ordinances, the budget and appropriations. These are important tasks and require the ability to communicate effectively and often times compromise, to be effective.

A councilor also provides a voice for the community. That is not always as easy as it sounds, there is a balance to making decisions for a district and the city. On one hand you want to help address the concerns of the neighborhoods within the district, and on the other hand address the needs of the larger community, both the district and the city. Some of those decisions have been difficult to make. The most difficult decisions are often governed less by my personal wishes and more by the will of the constituents I represent. There have also been times I've had to vote for the larger community instead of a loud contingent.

Finally, helping citizens navigate, but not circumvent, the city departments that improve our quality of life.

Q: What are your top priorities for your district? What will you personally do toward accomplishing those goals?

A: First my district is lacking basic infrastructure in many areas as it relates to water and sewer lines that pave the way for future development. Recent investment is helping but there is more to do, and I will continue to advocate and negotiate for additional funding to keep stretching that infrastructure east. Second, we need to start looking at the growing need for additional city staff, police and fire personnel. As our city grows to the east there will be an increasing strain on our city staff and first responders. If we don't look ahead and plan for the additional needs to cover the demand we will soon see the additional strain to provide coverage. By looking at opportunities to streamline services, invest in better equipment that allows for more efficient lasting results, and planning ahead for the inevitable increase in staffing costs, we can position the city for the future growth.

Q: How do you plan to involve citizens in the decision-making process?

A: I already have regular town hall meetings, engage on social media with my District 6 Digest, and attend neighborhood meetings and functions. I also have been involved in the development of the Global District Main Street from the very beginning, by approving funding in the budget and serving as a board member. The main street program actively works to get input from the leaders of the various cultural groups that call district 6 home, many of whom are also part of the board.

Q: The City Council should have approval power over major Mayoral appointments (e.g. Chief of Police).

A: Disagree

Q: Please explain your answer to question 5.

A: We are a strong Mayor form of government, that is what our citizens voted for in 1989, 33 years ago. At that time Tulsa converted from a city commission form of government. As stated earlier the council is the legislative branch. The Mayor is the administrative branch. Involving the council in Mayoral appointments erodes the powers of the Mayor and is contrary to the form of government the citizens voted for. I honor the division of powers they wanted.

TULSA CITY COUNCILOR DISTRICT 6

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Questions:

Q: What experience, insights and abilities will you bring to the City Council that make you especially qualified for the position?

A: I think my military, law enforcement, and corporate experience have framed my ability to handle challenges, and take initiative to look for solutions by partnering with stakeholders. Additionally, I understand the issues within our District, and have articulated ideas for creating higher community engagement, and to involve the citizens beyond their vote. While I certainly have no delusions in seeing myself as being the perfect person for the job, I humbly believe that I will be the District's most ardent advocate. I don't see this as a resume writing exercise, but instead an invitation for voters to intelligently, and objectively look at their city, and their District encompassed in that whole, and determine who will best pursue their interests.

Q: What do you believe the role of the City Council to be?

A: Thoughtful and informed stewardship of taxpayer funding is the biggest responsibility of our Council. There are several fundamental responsibilities of government. As a representative in the part, each Councilor is responsible in advocacy of their District as a priority. Prioritization of projects in the advancement of the City's goal to be a destination for tourism, business, and new residents not only increases revenue streams, but requires 9 individuals to work towards ensuring all District's feel adequately on equal footing for funds. Councils must be willing to

have discussions that work toward compromise. While nonpartisan is the intent of the Council, I find it to be disingenuous during elections. Not only does the Council currently recognize its composition, but each candidate is registered to a specific party. I think this became obvious in 2020. I do however believe that Councilors should be as sterile as possible in their intents and discussions.

Q: What are your top priorities for your district? What will you personally do toward accomplishing those goals?

A: Economic development and public safety have been my main speaking points. These revert to fundamental responsibilities of government. I think both of these issues certainly need no expounding dissertation on my part to citizens, since it affects all of us equally. East Tulsa, North Tulsa, and parts of West Tulsa certainly feel neglect. Because East Tulsa has the diversity of culture, lack of voice, and platform to have questions answered publicly, I have proposed creating a multi-cultural board that will serve only East Tulsa. Additionally, the Councilor must embrace and collaborate with the newly created Global District. This means actually identifying those leaders of these communities publicly and working together to determine District priorities. Creating a digital footprint to hold a representative accountable to, and work to create safer neighborhoods by continuous communication.

Q: How do you plan to involve citizens in the decision-making process?

A: As indicated in the previous question, there is no doubt that citizens not only elect their representative, but need something other than the take-it-or-leave-it approach to Town Halls as their only option in this District. Using technology allows for those to review at their convenience, or participate outside the specific venue. I believe between this, and the previously mentioned board, citizens can engage at their discretion, and not feel their representative is inaccessible.

Q: The City Council should have approval power over major Mayoral appointments (e.g. Chief of Police).

A: Disagree

Q: Please explain your answer to question 5.

A: In this process of running for office, you find that citizens hold our Mayor accountable for the City's issues as a whole. I believe creating another layer of bureaucracy in the process of appointing those who will serve in these roles creates an unnecessary obstruction. The citizens voted to empower the Mayor to make these decisions, and when necessary to be able to articulate their selections or removals. I believe Mayor Bynum did his best to involve the public in the selection process of current Chief Franklin.

TULSA CITY COUNCILOR DISTRICT 7



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Questions:

Q: What experience, insights and abilities will you bring to the City Council that make you especially qualified for the position?

A: I am seeking a third term to serve on City Council for District 7 to build upon the successes and momentum gained since I was first elected to City Council in November 2018.

I want to continue to tackle the eviction, housing and unsheltered homelessness crisis that is negatively impacting District 7 and the entire city of Tulsa. I want to ensure we continue to become an even stronger and more resilient city.

I currently serve on several key committees, working groups, and task forces that are making tremendous strides in developing important policies and programs that will be transformational for our city, and I am excited to finally be in a position to bring them from the planning phase to implementation.

There are several issues specifically in District 7 that I have been working to address and want to see through including revitalization of the East 71st Street retail corridor, two major upcoming road widening projects in as well as improving overall neighborhood safety.

Estoy buscando un tercer mandato para servir en el Concejo Municipal del Distrito 7 para aprovechar los éxitos y el impulso ganados desde que fui elegido por primera vez en noviembre de 2018.

Quiero continuar abordando el desalojo, la vivienda y la crisis de personas sin hogar sin refugio que está afectando negativamente al Distrito 7 y a toda la ciudad de Tulsa. Quiero asegurarme de que sigamos convirtiéndonos en una ciudad aún más fuerte y resiliente.

Actualmente sirvo en varios comités clave, grupos de trabajo y grupos de trabajo que están haciendo enormes avances en el desarrollo de políticas y programas importantes que serán transformadores para nuestra ciudad, y estoy emocionado de finalmente estar en condiciones de llevarlos de la fase de planificación a la implementación.

Hay varios problemas específicamente en el Distrito 7 que he estado trabajando para abordar y quiero ver, incluida la revitalización del corredor comercial de East 71st Street, dos importantes proyectos d

Q: What do you believe the role of the City Council to be?

A: The Tulsa City Council is the legislative body of our municipal government. We are tasked with protecting the health, safety and welfare of those who live, work and play in our city through policy work and core services. We are also the fiduciaries of the city and responsible for the oversight and approval of the city's annual budget, capital improvements funding packages as well as county, state and federal funds allocated to the city. We are also the body that approves zoning and planning requests, decisions which affect our entire community. We must be excellent, ethical stewards of our city's resources. The Council is also tasked with increasing transparency and accountability with the public as it pertains to our overall governance of the municipality. We each are the voice of the 45-46K people we represent in our districts and must keep their needs and concerns at the forefront of every decision we make, understanding that those impacts and consequences are far reaching.

El Concejo Municipal de Tulsa es el cuerpo legislativo de nuestro gobierno municipal. Tenemos la tarea de proteger la salud, la seguridad y el bienestar de quienes viven, trabajan y juegan en nuestra ciudad. También somos los fiduciarios responsables de la supervisión y aprobación del presupuesto anual de la ciudad, los fondos de mejoras de capital, así como los fondos del condado, estatales y federales asignados a la ciudad. Aprobamos solicitudes de zonificación y planificación, decisiones que afectan a toda nuestra comunidad. Debemos ser excelentes administradores éticos de los recursos de nuestra ciudad. El Consejo también tiene la tarea de aumentar la transparencia y la rendición de cuentas con el público en lo que respecta a nuestra gobernanza general del municipio. Cada uno de nosotros es la voz de las personas que representamos en nuestros distritos y debemos mantener sus necesidades y preocupaciones a la vanguardia de cada decisión que tomamos.

Q: What are your top priorities for your district? What will you personally do toward accomplishing those goals?

A: My number one priority as your City Councilor is to listen and communicate. I am committed to boldly representing you at City Hall and keeping you well informed of the issues, policies, and projects you care about and that affect you, your family, friends, and colleagues. Top priorities include:

- Reducing crime and investing in public safety.
- Updating infrastructure including roads and bridges.
- Innovating and growing opportunities for business

development especially small businesses, entrepreneurs and sole proprietors.

-Improving the quality of life for all Tulsans.

I will continue to lead on the Council as I have these last 3.5 years, collaborating with my Council colleagues, the Mayor, City Staff, and Community Stakeholders to implement policies and initiatives that move us forward, creating positive changes and successful growth. I have a proven track record of building consensus to achieve results and will continue to work to improve quality of life for all Tulsans.

Mi prioridad número uno como su Concejal de la Ciudad es escuchar y comunicarse. Me comprometo a representarlo audazmente en el Ayuntamiento y mantenerlo bien informado de los problemas, políticas y proyectos que le importan y que lo afectan a usted, su familia, amigos y colegas. Las principales prioridades incluyen:

- Reducir la delincuencia e invertir en seguridad pública.
- Actualización de infraestructura incluyendo carreteras y puentes.

- Oportunidades innovadoras y crecientes para el desarrollo de negocios, especialmente pequeñas empresas, empresarios y propietarios únicos.

Continuaré liderando en el Concejo como lo he hecho en estos últimos 3.5 años, colaborando con mis colegas del Concejo, el Alcalde, el Personal de la Ciudad y las Partes Interesadas de la Comunidad para implementar políticas e iniciativas que nos hagan avanzar, creando cambios positivos y un crecimiento exitoso.

Q: How do you plan to involve citizens in the decision-making process?

A: During my first two terms as your Councilor I have increased communications with constituents utilizing social media channels, email blasts, as well as virtual and in-person meetings. I hold a 1.5-2 hour Town Hall Meeting in the district every 2-3 months as well as attend community events, neighborhood meetings, and frequently represent the district and city at larger, city-wide, regional, and statewide gatherings. I am readily accessible by phone and email, set appointments to meet citizens at City Hall or out in the district, as requested. I have good relationships with neighborhood leaders. When an issue arises that I know will be of particular interest within District 7, such as land use and rezoning requests or infrastructure projects such as road widening, I schedule public meetings to specifically discuss the issue. I have held Town Halls about reducing crime and increasing public safety, housing and homelessness, neighborhood conditions, the annual budget, and more.

Durante mis dos primeros mandatos como su Consejero, he aumentado las comunicaciones con los electores utilizando los canales de redes sociales, las explosiones de correo electrónico y las reuniones. Celebro una reunión de ayuntamiento de 1.5-2 horas en el distrito cada 2-3 meses, así como asisto a eventos comunitarios, reuniones vecinales y represento al Distrito 7 en reuniones en toda la ciudad, regionales y estatales. Soy fácilmente accesible por teléfono y correo electrónico, programo citas para reunirme con ciudadanos en el Ayuntamiento o en el distrito, según lo solicitado. Cuando surge un problema que sé que será de particular interés dentro del Distrito 7, programo

reuniones públicas para discutir específicamente el tema. He celebrado asambleas municipales sobre la reducción del crimen y el aumento de la seguridad pública, la vivienda y la falta de vivienda, las condiciones del vecindario, el presupuesto anual y más.

Q: The City Council should have approval power over major Mayoral appointments (e.g. Chief of Police).

A: Disagree

Q: Please explain your answer to question 5.

A: If I could have, I would have answered "it depends." I was one of the Councilors who brought forward the 2020 Charter Amendment proposal that passed by a vote of the citizens of Tulsa to give confirmation powers to the Council on the hiring of the City Attorney. Until 2021, that decision previously rested solely with the Mayor.

That said, we have a Strong Mayor form of government. Our city charter expressly gives the Mayor executive powers to hire city staff and appoint department heads. Councilors are prohibited, by the charter, from directing the work of city employees including department heads. We do, however, have confirmation of the volunteers nominated to serve on the city's authorities, boards and commissions. And the Council decides who serves as judges on the Municipal Court. In recent years, when it came time to appoint new Police and Fire Chiefs, the Mayor created advisory groups which included the Council Chair and that worked well as an avenue for Council input.

Si hubiera podido, habría respondido "depende". Fui uno de los concejales que presentó la propuesta de Enmienda de la Carta de 2020 que fue aprobada por un voto de los ciudadanos de Tulsa para dar poderes de confirmación al Concejo sobre la contratación del Fiscal de la Ciudad. Hasta 2021, esa decisión anteriormente recaía únicamente en el Alcalde.

Dicho esto, tenemos una forma de gobierno de Alcalde Fuerte. Nuestra carta de la ciudad otorga expresamente al alcalde poderes ejecutivos para contratar personal de la ciudad y nombrar jefes de departamento. Los concejales tienen prohibido, por la carta, dirigir el trabajo de los empleados de la ciudad, incluidos los jefes de departamento. Sin embargo, tenemos confirmación de los voluntarios nominados para servir en las autoridades, juntas y comisiones de la ciudad. Y el Consejo decide quiénes sirven como jueces en el Tribunal Municipal.

TULSA CITY COUNCILOR DISTRICT 7

Ken Reddick (Nonpartisan)

Campaign Address:

Campaign Phone:

Campaign Email:

Age:

Education:

Volunteer Service:

Facebook:

Campaign Website:

Questions:

Q: What experience, insights and abilities will you bring to the City Council that make you especially qualified for the position?

A: - no response -

Q: What do you believe the role of the City Council to be?

A: - no response -

Q: What are your top priorities for your district? What will you personally do toward accomplishing those goals?

A: - no response -

Q: How do you plan to involve citizens in the decision-making process?

A: - no response -

Q: The City Council should have approval power over major Mayoral appointments (e.g. Chief of Police).

A: - no response -

Q: Please explain your answer to question 5.

A: - no response -



TULSA COUNTY ASSESSOR CANDIDATES

County Assessors in Oklahoma are responsible for establishing values of all taxable property within a county. This value is converted into an assessment, which is one component in the computation of real property tax bills. The Assessor has no jurisdiction or responsibility for taxing jurisdiction budgets or establishing the tax rate. The County Assessor's only function is assessment of property. The Assessor's office does not set your tax rate or collect taxes.

County Assessors serve four-year terms. The candidate elected during the November 8, 2022, General Election will begin their term on January 3, 2023.

TULSA COUNTY ASSESSOR



Todd Hagopian (Libertarian)

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Age: 42

Education: MBA - Michigan State University - Double-Major in Marketing and Finance

Volunteer Service: Treasurer of the National Libertarian Party. Treasurer of the Oklahoma Libertarian Party. Leadership Council for the National Small Business Association.

Professional Experience: 10+ years in Fortune 500 Management, Own Four Oklahoma Small Businesses With Payroll of Nearly \$1,000,000.

Questions:

Q: Why are you running for public office?

A: I believe that over-taxation is theft. Any tax dollars, above what the Government needs to run, is stealing from the citizens. While the citizens DO vote for millage rates, and bond proposals, they do NOT vote to have their property taxes raised each year.

The County Assessor has routinely RAISED YOUR TAXES without a vote, and usually without you even knowing it, just by raising the taxable value of your home. They are the ONLY PERSON in County Government who can RAISE TAXES at will, and the Incumbent has BEEN DOING SO.

Elect ME and I will put that to an END!

Creo que el exceso de impuestos es un robo. Cualquier dólar de los impuestos, por encima de lo que el Gobierno necesita para correr, es robado de los ciudadanos. Actualmente, ciudadanos pueden votar SÍ a las propuestas de bonos, pero no tienen la opción de votar si están de acuerdo con el aumento de sus impuestos a la propiedad.

El Asesor del Condado ha AUMENTADO rutinariamente

SUS IMPUESTOS sin un voto, y generalmente, sin que usted lo sepa, simplemente aumentando el valor imponible de su casa. Son la ÚNICA PERSONA en el Gobierno del Condado que puede AUMENTAR LOS IMPUESTOS a voluntad, y el Titular lo ha ESTADO HACIENDO.

¡Elígeme y pondré eso a su fin!

Q: What changes would you like to see made to the assessment regulations?

A: We need to implement a county-wide depreciation. This would lower taxable values of property across the board in Tulsa County. This would mean that you PAY LESS IN TAXES.

We also need to stop using the majority of our time, effort, and money to fight tax challenges. This office is literally using YOUR tax dollars to fight against YOU to make sure you pay MORE in taxes.

Those would be the two biggest changes I look forward to making.

Necesitamos implementar una depreciación en todo el condado. Esto reduciría los valores imponibles de la propiedad en todo el condado de Tulsa. Esto significaría que usted paga menos en impuestos.

También tenemos que dejar de usar la mayor parte de nuestro tiempo, esfuerzo y dinero para luchar contra los desafíos de impuestos. Esta oficina es, literalmente, el uso de sus dólares de los impuestos para luchar contra usted para asegurarse de que usted paga más en los impuestos.

Esos serían los dos mayores cambios que espero hacer.

Q: What do you see as your top priority if elected?

A: Lower Your Taxes - Period

Reducir sus impuestos - Punt

TULSA COUNTY ASSESSOR



John A. Wright (Republican)

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Age: 67

Education: BS Marketing/
Jacksonville University,

Jacksonville Florida

Volunteer Service: Ten years of service as a Board Member on the Oklahoma Educational Technology Trust Board

Professional Experience: Tulsa County Assessor December 1st 2018 - present / Assessment Administration Specialist Awarded 2018; Member of the Oklahoma House of Representatives 1998-2010

Questions:

Q: Why are you running for public office?

A: In the twelve years since joining the executive staff of the Tulsa County Assessor's Office, significant improvements to the technology, software management and professional development of the staff have been accomplished. Now serving as one of four elected Assessor Association board members, I have been positioned to have increased influence and input to enhanced public policy affecting all 77 counties in Oklahoma. This is year one of an anticipated four years of service on the board if re-elected. As an inactive licensed Oklahoma Real Estate broker, I have an understanding of those factors that contribute to value in real estate. We have made measured progress in the office, however, some of the planned and anticipated strategic improvements were delayed due to the Covid challenge experience.

Q: What changes would you like to see made to the assessment regulations?

A: We are charged with putting an accurate fair market value on all property in the county as of the lawful assessment date (January 1st) each year. We have a required notification by law if there was an increase in value, a well-structured and clear appeals process, and a well-trained staff employing proven assessment principles to arrive at the value. There is a taxable value increase protection in law for the property owner and clear, transparent visibility of values on our website. The association is active in communicating with the legislature and the Tax Commission, and mechanisms are in place to constantly provide input to dialogue on recommended modifications. The amount of millage or tax rate for the various entities lawfully entitled to receive property tax should have to be periodically reauthorized by the voters.

Q: What do you see as your top priority if elected?

A: To continue to provide the continuity, stability, and stable leadership that the office requires.

TULSA COUNTY ASSESSOR

John Swoboda (Democrat)

Campaign Mailing Address:

Campaign Phone:

Campaign Email:

Campaign Website:

Age:

Education:

Volunteer Service:

Professional Experience:

Questions:

Q: Why are you running for public office?

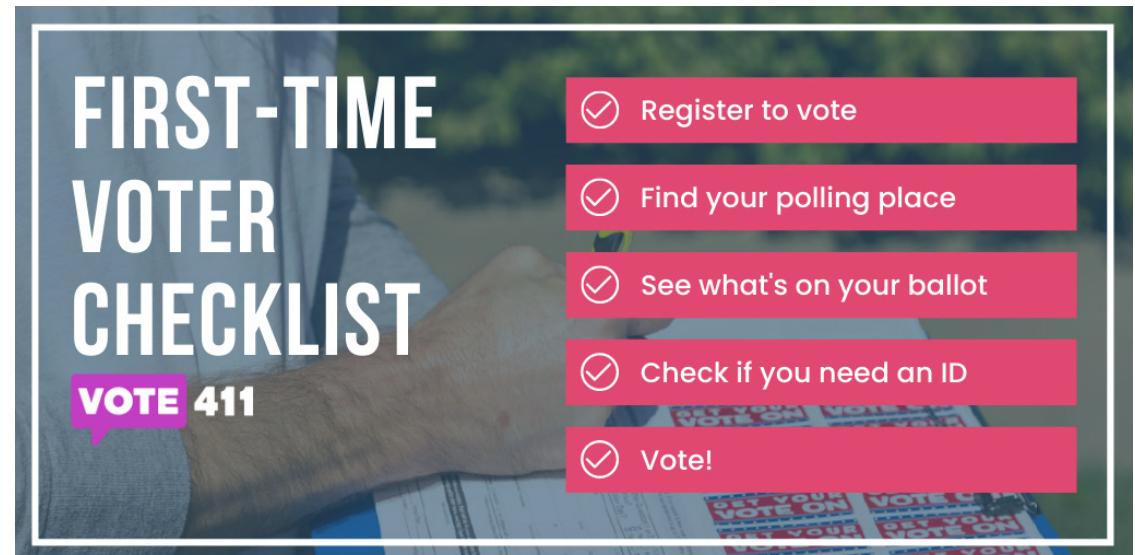
A: - no response -

Q: What changes would you like to see made to the assessment regulations?

A: - no response -

Q: What do you see as your top priority if elected?

A: - no response -



TULSA COUNTY COMMISSIONER CANDIDATES

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is Tulsa County's administrative and business management entity. Three elected officials are responsible for the County's execution of a wide range of legal and fiscal responsibilities including oversight of County programs and facilities and maintenance of the County highway system.

County Assessors serve four-year terms and are elected by district. Election cycles are staggered to allow for continuity of operations within the County and its operations.

TULSA COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1

Stan Sallee (Republican)

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Campaign Phone:

Facebook:

Age:

Education:

Volunteer Service:

Professional Experience:

Questions:

Q: What in your background qualifies you to be a County Commissioner?

A: - no response -

Q: Do you believe the Tulsa City Council and County Commissioners should work together? In what ways?

A: - no response -

Q: What element of the county's government is least effective, and why?

A: - no response -

Q: Do you believe the Tulsa City Council and County Commissioners should work together? In what ways?

A: - no response -

TULSA COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT 1

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Age: 40

Education: Bachelor of Science - Nursing

Volunteer Service: Democratic Party Precinct Chair

Professional Experience: Registered Nurse

Questions:

Q: What in your background qualifies you to be a County Commissioner?

A: - no response -

TULSA COUNTY DISTRICT JUDGE CANDIDATES

The Oklahoma court system is made up of the Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeals, the Court of Civil Appeals, 77 district courts and courts of limited jurisdiction. District courts, which are also called courts of general jurisdiction, hear the majority of cases, civil (like divorces and lawsuits), felony, probate, and juvenile. These judges are elected every four years in nonpartisan elections. Judges are not allowed to publicly discuss their party affiliation when running for a judicial office.

Voters in Tulsa and Pawnee Counties are in the 14th Judicial District. Races that have three or more candidates will appear on the Primary Ballot for their particular County. The two candidates with the most votes will advance to the General Election.

TULSA COUNTY JUDGE DISTRICT 14, OFFICE NO. 12



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Age: 49

Questions:

Q: Summarize your biography, including your education (degrees conferred, colleges and law school), career and employment experience, elected offices held or sought, community service activity, organizational affiliations, and other pertinent information.

A: My name is Judge Tanya Wilson and I am a proud life long member of Tulsa. I was raised in the Historic Mount Zion Baptist Church. I graduated from Booker T Washington High School. I am a graduate of Langston University, BBA and the University of Tulsa College of Law, JD.

I started my career as a prosecutor in the Tulsa County DA's office in 2002. I specialized in juvenile matters, homicides and crimes against children's cases. Throughout my career, I understood the importance of ensuring Justice to the most vulnerable of our community. I have tried over 50 cases to verdict. I entered private practice in October 2019. I was appointed as a Tulsa County Special Judge in July 2020.

I am currently seeking the position of Tulsa County District Judge District 14 Office 12. This is a countywide position and I would love to represent the wonderful citizens of the Tulsa County community.

In my time as a prosecutor I have served on several boards focusing on juvenile matters, such as the Child Protection Coalition. I was recognized as the CASA Prosecutor of the year in 2019.

Q: Describe the general nature of your law practice or other legal work you have done, the typical clients you have represented, areas of specialty or concentration, and how much you have practiced in the court you seek/currently sit (including practice before another judge dealing with the same types of cases).

A: I have primarily specialized in criminal matters as a prosecutor. When I was in private practice I handled criminal, family law and civil matters.

Q: What qualities (e.g. temperament, diligence, etc.) and experiences do you have that make you a strong candidate for the judicial office you seek?

A: The most important quality I possess is that I am currently a special judge. In my assignment as a special judge, I hear matters on the criminal preliminary hearing docket and bond docket. I know the most important qualities of a judge are to be fair and have knowledge of the law. In all cases, judges should ensure that everyone has their day in court. Victims and attorneys should have the ability to ensure the matters which affect their case is properly heard. I always make sure to be fair to each party by giving them equal opportunity to present their case. One side may not prevail; however, I want both parties to believe in the fairness of the judicial process.

I also a judge should know the facts of a case and how to apply the law to those facts. Most cases we hear are for very egregious offenses. The law and sentencing options for the most heinous offenses are set. However, courts have more sentencing options for property and drug offenses. I would definitely apply the law for those cases as well as seek alternate sentencing options, if allowed by statute.

TULSA COUNTY JUDGE DISTRICT 14, OFFICE NO. 12



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Questions:

Q: Summarize your biography, including your education (degrees conferred, colleges and law school), career and employment experience, elected offices held or sought, community service activity, organizational affiliations, and other pertinent information.

A: I am a Tulsa native and product of Tulsa public schools. I am a proud graduate of Booker T. Washington High School, where I was a state champion in speech and debate. I have a bachelor's degree in history and political science from the University of Tulsa, a Master's Degree in Public Service Administration from the George Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University, and a law degree from the University of Tulsa. I have worked at the Tulsa County District Attorney's Office for the last eleven years, where I am the director of the homicide unit. For the last twenty years I have been heavily involved in the Tulsa Air and Space Museum, serving as an employee, a volunteer, a board member, and now on the emeritus board. My research into the last B-24 built during WWII in Tulsa, the "Tulsamerican," resulted in the location of that downed aircraft and the repatriation of the pilot's remains. He is now buried in Arlington National Cemetery, and the aircraft is memorialized at the Tulsa Air and Space Museum. My wife, Michelle, and I are the proud parents of three girls. As a family we love to travel, hike, and go exploring with our dogs!

Q: Describe the general nature of your law practice or other legal work you have done, the typical clients you have represented, areas of specialty or concentration, and how much you have practiced in the court you seek/currently sit (including practice before another judge dealing with the same types of cases).

A: As the director of the Homicide Unit at the Tulsa County District Attorney's office, I am responsible for making filing decisions on almost every homicide that occurs in Tulsa County. Over the last decade, I have tried 94 jury trials, 56 of which have been homicide trials. This year, I was responsible for the successful death penalty prosecution of convicted cop killer David Ware.

During my decade of prosecution, I have handled a wide variety of criminal cases, including crimes against children, property crimes, shootings, robberies, and sexual assaults. I have conducted jury trials in front of thirteen different district judges, and practiced in front of several more. My responsibilities are not solely trial work, as I regularly make filing decisions, conduct preliminary hearings, motion hearings, and sentencing hearings. I am typically

responsible for a rotating group of interns assigned to the homicide unit, and assist them in learning how to practice criminal law.

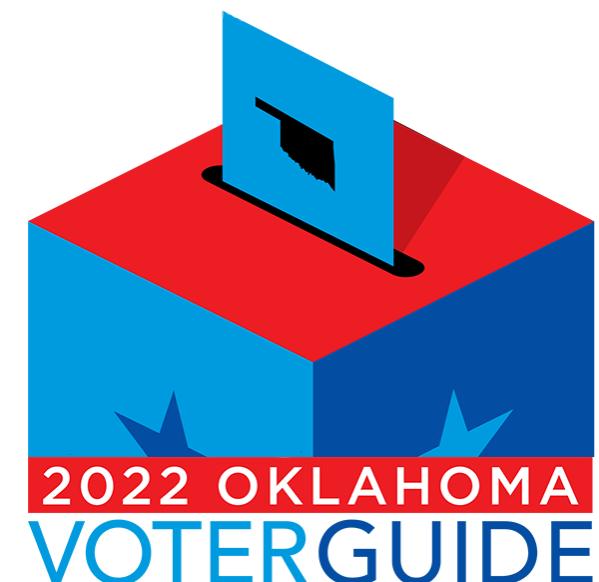
Q: What qualities (e.g. temperament, diligence, etc.) and experiences do you have that make you a strong candidate for the judicial office you seek?

A: Successful judges are smart, willing to listen and open to new ideas. Those judges are also good communicators, and are able to clearly interact with the parties that appear in front of them. One of my most important tasks is listening to the families of homicide victims as they share with me the loss that they have experienced, the impact that loss has had on their lives, and their hopes about the judicial process moving forward. One of the biggest challenges I face is managing their expectations. It is incumbent on me to communicate to those families how the process works, and what reasonable outcomes to expect. I find that I learn far more by listening than by talking. Judges need to be patient and fair, and I believe I am both. I have tried cases against over 50 different attorneys, and handled cases with scores more. I have a reputation for being upfront and honest, and have been able to maintain strong, cordial relationships with the attorneys I work with in court. I also have a reputation among the defense bar as someone who is fair but firm in both my filing decisions as well as my plea offers. Those qualities and relationships will greatly help my service as a judge.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

The information provided in this guide can be found online at www.Vote411.org.

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My Cheat Sheet

I am voting for



City Councilor:

County Assessor:

County Commissioner:

District Judge:



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