

## **Kootenai County Republican Central Committee Rating and Vetting Program**

The KCRCC has developed a process of informing local voters about candidates running for both partisan and non-partisan offices. We have found that some candidates who subscribe to be Republicans do not necessarily hold strong Republican values. Furthermore, Precinct Committeemen are frequently asked for information about candidates and issues. The Precinct Committeemen's job is to know their constituents and to keep them informed about candidates and ballot measures.

For this reason, the KCRCC has implemented a Rating and Vetting Program whereby candidates are rated by the Precinct Committeemen.

### **FOR CANDIDATES: Rating Criteria:**

We will be searching for and rating men and women of good character, virtue and integrity, and who hold constitutional and traditional values.

The KCRCC encourages candidates to participate in this process and other opportunities to present themselves to the voters such as forums, town halls, social media, speaking before the KRCC, and "Meet and Greets."

### **Please tell us the following information about yourself:**

Name: Victoria Slater

Position Running For: CDA City Council

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us a little about yourself and your family, how long you have lived in the area and your occupation.

My husband & I have lived in CDA since December 2009. We are now retired from the Entertainment Industry. We own a couple of rental houses in The Landings which we manage ourselves. We enjoy biking and I joined a nine-hole women's golf league this year. We have two very spoiled little dogs.

### **Please answer the following questions:**

1. Do you have experience as an elected official and if so, what was your position, and how would you describe your voting record?

I have no prior experience as an elected official.

2. Please tell us about your activity as a Republican. Have you previously voted for candidates of other parties? If yes, explain.

Up until the previous presidential election I would call myself politically complacent. After the election I was determined to get involved and joined KCRWF and have been active with them.

I vote Republican and cannot remember ever having voted for a Democrat.

3. What is the purpose of government?

The purpose of government is to protect the people.

4. Describe why you are running for this particular office. What are your qualifications? What are your goals?

I am running for CDA City Council because that is the position I was asked to run for. I love this City and want to make sure it is protected from Liberal ideology and over population. I want to make sure monies spent are well spent and not wasted.

I am highly organized, have business experience and acumen, and I am very good at negotiating.

5. Describe experiences where you are or have been engaged such as non-profit organizations, clubs, churches, boards, commissions, etc., where you have been of service to others.

I served on the BOD of the Producers Guild of America for 9 years, and was the Chair of their Mentoring Committee and well as helping out with several other committees.

I am currently volunteering as the Volunteer Coordinator for Women in Red and have served in that position for the past three years.

I was my neighborhood HOA President for five years.

I volunteer as a Cuddler in Kootenai Hospitals NICU.

I served as a Delegate at last year's IDGOP convention.

6. Do you describe yourself as fiscally conservative? Please, elaborate.

Yes. Some would call me frugal. I don't believe in wasting money. Programs should be looked at not only for their immediate impact, but also but subsequent impact.

7. Do you consider yourself as socially conservative? Please elaborate.

Yes. If by that you mean that I believe people should be responsible for themselves if at all possible and I believe in the right to life.

8. Describe which party platform best aligns with your positions on public policy (Republican, Democrat, Libertarian or Constitutional Party) and where do you disagree with that platform.

Republican. No disagreement.

9. Do you have any history of tax liens, criminal record, bankruptcy or conflict of interest that may affect your future decisions or desirability to be voted into office?

No.

10. Describe how you will make yourself available to your constituents and vote as their representative with FORTITUDE, adhering to the values and answers you have stated above.

Having attended City Council meetings in the past I often got the feeling that even though people were allowed to present their thoughts, a decision had already been made by the Council and the hearing was just for show. I want to listen to the people before making a decision. Having worked in the Hollywood film industry, made me fairly tough and I am not afraid to disagree with someone, and stand up for I believe is right.

The answers to these questions will be the basis of the ratings you will receive and the issues we would like addressed by you in other settings.

In previous elections there have been cases where two well-rated candidates running against a third poorly rated candidate will “split the vote”

leaving the poorly rated candidate with the win. In such a case where two candidates may split the vote, the KCRCC Election Committee will encourage the candidate with the second highest rating to drop out and run again at a later time.

Those who fail to respond to this questionnaire will likely receive lower ratings.

Please respond by the date requested of you, typically soon after the candidate-filing deadline.

### **FOR COMMITTEEMEN:**

The Rating and Vetting Program is designed to assist the KCRCC in getting information to the voters in your precinct through walking, mail, social and other media, and passing out sample ballots. In order to identify the very best candidate for each race, your job as an elected Precinct Committeeman is to vet then rate using the criteria above stated AND by confidentially contacting each other for additional information. It is your obligation to submit final ratings at a time and place designated by the Election Committee.