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Meet the Candidates



Chris Heisler

Thank you for allowing me to serve you as Mayor. I'm seeking an additional term to finish the work that's been started, but I can't do this on my own. I need your support of the candidates that have already proven they are here to serve the citizens and have already fought hard with me for citizen rights and input.

I've fought hard the past two years and established a water task force that revealed important information about our resources. This committee was directly responsible in determining there is no water shortage in Lafayette, only a need to better manage our resources and improve our partnership with Dayton. I believe this committee, along with the right Council, will help me to alleviate our water issues and make rates more fair for all of us.

I worked to resurrect the 2004 citizens Parks Plan, a parks and water work session and citizen surveys to stop city spending based on personal agendas that did not include citizen feedback.

I established citizen committees to represent citizen interests. Committees were responsible for banners on light posts and flower pots along main street, surveys that allowed citizens a say on park funds resulting in a renovated Perkins Park and other improvements, and free events such as the Pumpkinfest.

I established more citizen involvement in Council Meetings by working to allow more citizen input during the meetings, allowing residents to be part of the government process as it should be.

I led the effort to stop removal of our Charter spend limit that would have given City Hall and politicians authority to spend without citizen input or approval.

There is much work left to be done and I believe with the right people on Council, continued citizen involvement, and the strong strategic plan we're working on together, the city of Lafayette will thrive!

Respectfully,

Chris Heisler



Leah Harper

For the last four years, I have served this community first on the Heritage Days Committee and then as a council member. As a Council member, I have fought for truth and transparency along with Mayor Heisler by fighting to keep the spend limit in our Charter and for proper oversight of City Hall. I fought against year round water restrictions because there was no justification for them. I have personally investigated our historical water records and identified our significant investment in Dayton, which the previous council majority ignored, so that our water resources can be used to benefit our residents.

In addition, I have been actively involved in our city by working with the residents on the Beautification Committee and Events Committee. I participated in the downtown clean up/planting days, the Movie Night in the Park, The Pumpkin Event, Dessert Night and the Valentine Party. I think community events unite a city and I want to see these events become a part of the fabric of our community. I believe we have a forward momentum going in this city and I want to ensure that we don't go backwards.

With strong, united leaders that are committed to serving the people here, we are just beginning to move toward all that Lafayette can be.



Marie Sproul

Prior to being appointed to the City Council August 2010, I helped the citizens and council by joining the parks committee. By putting out questionnaires for all citizens to have their say Joel Perkins, Plantation & Veterans Parks have all been renovated.

I believe that Lafayette is in a critical time of growth and more than ever needs the City Council to bring the citizens together with the government. I am committed in helping the City to foster a mutual respect between government and the citizens of Lafayette to attain positive communications. I believe that my commitment will help the city to continue to achieve accomplishments that are beneficial to the citizens and the city.

As a councilor, my first commitment has been to make sound business decisions based on the guidelines set down by the laws and statutes which govern our city for the betterment of all the citizens of Lafayette. In making these decisions it is important to me to make certain that all citizens voices are heard, not just a small group of influence. I want to continue to help the process of making these important decisions by listening to everyone in the community that wishes to take the time to make their voices heard either in council meetings, email or telephone.

It is my desire to help guide the city with its' present endeavors, and with your vote, I can.



Al LeMay

This November 2nd the residents of Lafayette will now have a voice in how they see their city and what issues are important to them. I decided to run for City Council after becoming involved locally within the city and helping residents better understand what was at stake for them. I have spent time campaigning on behalf of residents that wanted to ensure their rights are protected, whether it was preserving the spending limit in our charter or the recent ordinance trying to impose restrictions on watering.

We need a government that will work for the people and not against them. I feel we need more communication between the citizens of Lafayette and the City Government, with open access to information and resources for all.

Here are a few important topics which we need to address in Lafayette:

- Ensure residents have a vote on whether any new or increased taxes, charges or fees will become effective (no more arbitrary increases or creation of taxes, charges or fees)
- Comprehensive budget reform by implementing “Zero-Based” budgeting with quarterly reviews paired with placing the city’s financials online
- Create a business friendly environment by partnering with local businesses in promoting Lafayette as a destination
- Create and implement a comprehensive plan for roads by gathering input from local experts and residents
- Ensure access to public documents without costs
- Continued support of community improvements to parks and recreation
- Comprehensive review of all ordinances and removal of old or outdated ordinances if possible

And lastly, we need to return Lafayette to its residents because this city has a rich and diverse group of residents who should share their experiences, and continue to foster a sense of community.



Trevor Higby

I am running for city council to attempt to answer the question, “what’s next?”. We as a community have

spoken loud and clear; we voted down spending limit changes & spoke out against water restrictions, amongst other things.

Now we must build a City Government model that answers to the citizens in accountable & transparent ways and more importantly responds to our community desires.

With the other candidates on this flier, as well as current Councilors, I know we can implement a strategic plan over the next few years that gets our City government operating on a level we will all be proud of.

There is a lot of work to be done and we have outlined a road map that will adjust City Hall operations where needed as well as make more opportunities for community involvement. I encourage you to go to the website below and review the strategic plan as it WILL impact all of us as citizens of Lafayette. The vision, I feel, we all have as a community is that of a respectable City Government that understands that it serves the citizens & the plan outlines the path to accomplish that

Who am I? A family guy, Army veteran, little league coach, volunteer, business owner, mentor, apprentice, donor, consultant, blunt and a citizen who cares about our City's future.

If you feel I represent your concerns and desires for Lafayette then I ask you to give me the opportunity to help finish what the Mayor, Councilor Harper, Councilor Pagella and many others started a few years ago.