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Why Mercer Island?

I moved to Mercer Island 30 years ago because of the City's schools, single family neighborhoods, marvelous parks, trails and beaches, and easy access to Bellevue and Seattle. These attributes make Mercer Island a unique community in which to live and one for which it is my desire and intent to utilize my experience and skill sets to serve.

Why am I serving on Mercer Island City Council now?

I am at the point in my life where I have the time to devote my energy, passion, grit and wide-ranging experience for the benefit a remarkable City and community in which I have been fortunate to be able to live for a significant part of my adult life. I have been involved in a number of civic activities on Mercer Island. For example, the Mercer Island Schools Committee for the 2014 and 2016 bond and levy issues, Mercer Island Youth & Family Services as a table captain for its annual fund raising breakfast and arranging for volunteer help for the Thrift Store. I continue to support MIYFS and MISD as a donor and volunteer. I am not accepting any donations for my campaign.

Preparation.

After graduating from Princeton University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Politics, I served for nine years as an officer in the United States Navy with combat service in Viet Nam. Later I became the youngest Commanding Officer of a U.S. Navy ship.

In 1977, I graduated from Stanford Law School. I am admitted to practice law in Washington and Alaska. From 1977 through 1995, I practiced civil law and was a partner in several Seattle law firms. My law practice was concentrated on public procurement, government contracts and construction, as well as management labor/employment law.

Since 1995, I have been Executive Vice President and Director of Osborne Construction Company, a general contractor with offices and operations in Washington, Alaska and other states. In that capacity, I have been continuously involved in assessing and managing risk, negotiating contracts and proposals, all aspects of real estate development, ensuring compliance with federal, state and local laws, regulations and contractual requirements, interacting with federal, state and local government entities and serving as Osborne's Human Resource Manager, among a myriad of other duties and responsibilities.

Since 1977, I have also served as a mediator and arbitrator in a wide variety of disputes including those related to construction and construction projects as well as serving on Dispute Review Boards.

Skilled Negotiator.

I have honed my negotiation skills in hundreds of successful negotiations from tiny to major ones. As a lawyer and a contractor, I have extensive experience in negotiating and resolving a plethora of issues with public agencies specifically including the Washington State Department of Transportation, King County, the City of Seattle, Sound Transit, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the U.S. Air Force and many others.

Volunteer.

In addition to Mercer Island volunteer activities, I served on the Stanford Athletic Board, the Board of Directors of the Alaska Builders & Contractors, the Board of Trustees of the Associated General Contractors of Washington and as its Vice-President (2015-16), President (2017) and past President (2018). I have also served on other corporate and charitable boards.

Key Issues.

- Mobility and minimizing the impact of the bus intercept
- Developing & implementing a fiscal sustainability plan for Mercer Island
- Preserving the integrity of our residential neighborhoods & avoiding spot zoning
- Preserving our unique system of parks, trails & beaches
- Ensuring that Mercer Island is safe for children & all residents

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