



General election — Tuesday, Nov. 3

Snoqualmie City Council Position No. 5

Two candidates are vying for position no. 5 on the Snoqualmie City Council in the Nov. 3 general election. Here are the candidates' positions on some local issues. Answers were limited to 25 words.

With revenues declining, how do you think the city should balance providing city services to more people for less money?

What can the City of Snoqualmie do to spur economic development?

What one thing over \$10,000 would you cut from the city budget next year?



☐ Maria Henriksen

- ☐ Age:
- ☐ Years of residence in Snoqualmie Valley: 11
- ☐ Occupation: business management, Microsoft
- ☐ Education: Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the University of Washington, with post-graduate work in international studies.
- ☐ Public experience: Prior to joining the City Council in 2004 Maria served 3 years on the Snoqualmie City Parks Board, serving as Chair for 2 of those years.

We are working to diversify our revenue streams and continue to apply best practices and new technologies in order to do more with less.

We are developing valuable partnerships with organizations like Outside Seattle. We are also making investments in revitalization as well as business recruitment and retention.

I look hard at everything — every year. I will keep salaries lean but competitive and focus on discretionary funding. Retaining services is the priority.



☐ Terry Sorenson

- ☐ Age: 45
- ☐ Years of residence in Snoqualmie Valley: 22
- ☐ Occupation: Federal employee
- ☐ Education: Associate's degree in business management
- ☐ Public experience: Two terms on Snoqualmie City Council and served on Snoqualmie Planning Commission.

We need to live within our means. Priorities must be established. After public safety (police, fire, clean water), if we can't afford it, cut it.

Over 1 million tourists visiting the falls are begging for places to spend their money. We need to make it easier for new shop owners.

If an across the board department cut wasn't feasible I would make a cut to the parks department.

What decision has the City Council made in the past two years that you would change?

Which is more important in your decision making – what you know or what constituents want?

In your opinion, what are Snoqualmie residents most concerned about this year?

What is the one thing you want voters to remember when they vote in November?

Henriksen



I would have preferred to take two more weeks to explore additional options for financing the new City Hall. The current package is good though.

I think constituents expect their elected representatives to listen, educate themselves fully on the issues and make the best decision on the constituents' behalf.

The economy as it relates to potential city service cuts and business losses. Our budget is solid and has not experienced cuts like other cities.

Please visit www.MariaForCityCouncil.com to learn about my accomplishments over the past six years. Thank you for your past support and I would appreciate your vote.

Sorenson



The voters spoke twice. They don't believe we can afford a community center. I think this disrespects democracy.

What I know. Part of what I know is research staff expertise and getting citizen's feedback. All of these create good decisions.

Their economy. Keeping or finding a job. We also are trying to reduce our expenses. We also can expect a great education for our kids.

Tax revenues will be lower. I spent two terms on the council during similar times. This experience is critical.