

FALLS CITY CANDIDATES

Itemizer-ObsERVER staff report
FALLS CITY — In Falls City, the mayor and three city council seats will be determined in the November election. Mayor Terry Ungricht is running unopposed for re-election. Five have thrown their name in the hat for the three council seats.

Mayor
NAME: Terry Ungricht, 56 of Falls City.
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Retired.
EDUCATION: High School
PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT SERVICE: Mayor, city of Falls City 2015-present; Councilor, city of Falls City 2013-2014.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU RESIDED IN THE AREA YOU WILL REPRESENT: 10 years.
WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR OFFICE? We have started to move on infrastructure needs and I would like to see them into the building stage.
WHAT IS THE BIGGEST SINGLE ISSUE FACING THE CITY OF FALLS CITY? HOW WOULD YOU ADDRESS IT IF ELECTED?
 No. 1 is upgrading the sewer system; we are currently seeking grant funding for the project.



If we are not successful, the state will require us to upgrade at possibly a greater cost to our citizens.
ANYTHING ELSE YOU WISH TO NOTE ABOUT THE POSITION YOU ARE SEEKING?
 It has been an honor serving as mayor and I thank everyone for the support they have shown me.

Council candidates
NAME: Dennis Sickles, 65, of Falls City



CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Mostly retired. Falls City School District Athletic Director for five years.
EDUCATION: Two years at Western Oregon University
PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT SERVICE: City Council of Falls City 2013 to present; Falls City School District Board, 1982 to 1987; Budget Committee city of Falls City
CAMPAIGN PHONE NUMBER: 503-930-0378.
HOW LONG HAVE YOU RESIDED IN THE AREA YOU WILL REPRESENT? Since 1967.
WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR OFFICE? As a community member, I think the people need to be involved in what is going on.
 As longtime resident, I want

to help be involved in moving the city in the right direction.
WHAT IS THE BIGGEST SINGLE ISSUE FACING FALLS CITY? HOW WOULD YOU ADDRESS IT IF ELECTED?
 Code enforcement and law enforcement.
 That is one of the toughest problems we have.
 Basically, I think we are going to have to get outside of the box, like having a committee to review enforcement issues.
 I also I think we need to be aware of our sewer problems and find ways to solve those.
ANYTHING ELSE YOU WISH TO NOTE ABOUT THE POSITION YOU ARE SEEKING?
 I enjoy working with the mayor and the rest of the city council and city staff.
 I think we are making good progress and I just want to continue with that.

NAME: Charlie Flynn, 59 of Falls City.
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Department of Human Services/Oregon Health Authority, more than six months.
EDUCATION: Christian Brothers Academy, 1976.
PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT SERVICE: Johnson Elementary



Flynn
 School Board of Directors, Johnson, Vt., mid-1990s; Board of Directors Central Vermont Community Action Council, late-1980s.
HOW LONG HAVE YOU RESIDED IN THE AREA YOU WILL REPRESENT: More than two years.
WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR OFFICE? I see the challenges and struggles Falls City is dealing with and believe I can help.
 I have served the communities I've lived in before, and look forward to serving in my community again.
 I'm not afraid of rolling up my sleeves if that is what is needed.
WHAT IS THE BIGGEST SINGLE ISSUE FACING THE CITY OF FALLS CITY? HOW WOULD YOU ADDRESS IT IF ELECTED?
 As in many communities across this nation, there is no one "biggest" issue facing Falls City. Some, however, are on a tighter deadline for action.
 Our current 'high-priority' issues are (in no specific order): Updating our sewer system; transients; code enforcement; school growth; curtailing drug trafficking ... The list changes as any item is addressed.
 I do not see any one answer for any of these issues. Some will require finding money, some can be addressed by commitments from the community.
ANYTHING ELSE YOU WISH TO NOTE ABOUT THE

POSITION YOU ARE SEEKING?
 I currently serve my community by co-managing the Falls City Produce Give-away where I can be found every Friday from 4 until 6 p.m.
 I look forward to continuing to serve my community in whatever capacity I can find a niche for myself for many years to come.

NAME: Shane Curry, 21, of Falls City.
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Family Organic Garden.
EDUCATION: Falls City High School, 2013.
PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE: None.
CAMPAIGN PHONE: 503-779-8333.

HOW LONG HAVE YOU RESIDED IN THE AREA YOU WILL REPRESENT: 17 years.
WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR OFFICE? To better the town I live in and make it a safer place.
WHAT IS THE BIGGEST SINGLE ISSUE FACING THE CITY OF FALLS CITY? HOW WOULD YOU ADDRESS IT IF ELECTED?
 Public transportation, drugs and parks and recreation. I would address those issues through help from the town.
ANYTHING ELSE YOU WISH TO NOTE ABOUT THE POSITION YOU ARE SEEKING?
 Vote for Shane Andrew Curry Jr.

NAME: Jim Partridge, 64, of Falls City.
CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Unemployed.
EDUCATION: Thurston High School, 1971.
PREVIOUS GOVERNMENT EXPERIENCE: Falls City Park & Recreation committee.
CAMPAIGN PHONE: 503-787-7026.



Partridge
HOW LONG HAVE YOU RESIDED IN THE AREA YOU WILL REPRESENT: 8 years.
WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR OFFICE? For the people and future of Falls City and kids.
WHAT IS THE BIGGEST SINGLE ISSUE FACING THE CITY OF FALLS CITY? HOW WOULD YOU ADDRESS IT IF ELECTED?
 Everyone working together in Falls City to make it a good place.
ANYTHING ELSE YOU WISH TO NOTE ABOUT THE POSITION YOU ARE SEEKING?
 I care about Falls City.
 Cliff Lauder is also running for Falls City Council. A questionnaire was emailed to him.
 A followup phone call determined Lauder chose not to participate in this questionnaire.

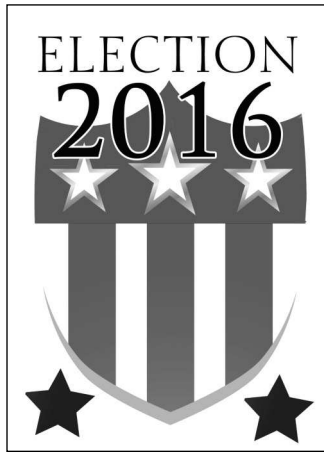
Measure 98 would increase money for high school

Proponents say it would increase graduation rates, decrease dropouts for students across Oregon

By Jolene Guzman
 The Itemizer-ObsERVER

DALLAS — Proponents of Measure 98 believe it will help improve the state's lowly graduation rate and better prepare students for work and college after high school.
 The bill would set aside at least \$800 per high school student for high schools to use to pay for new or expanded "career and technical education" programs, including hiring teachers, buying equipment and building facilities.

Schools would be able to determine what programs would best serve their students.
 Measure 98 also includes support for expanding access to college opportunities for students still in high school and for dropout prevention.
 "Helping students succeed in life and be ready when they leave high school for success," said Joy Marshall, an outreach organizer for the measure's campaign. "That's really what Measure 98 is about."
 Marshall gave a presenta-



tion on Measure 98 at the Dallas Area Chamber of Commerce's lunch forum on Monday.
 She said there three reasons for voting for the measure.
 The first being that Oregon ranks 47th in the country in graduation rate.
 "Our high school students are not succeeding. They are

not finishing high school and it is not through the lack of good work and effort," she said. "It's through lack of really smart, focused funding and support."
 Secondly, Marshall said those that do graduate aren't ready for college-level work, and some are unsure what career path they would like to pursue.
 She said offering CTE classes in high school could give students exposure to professions.
 Finally, she said Oregon employers often have to turn to out-of-state workers to fill vacancies.
 "Workforce is not ready and our employers are not finding people that they can hire with the skills that they need," she said. "That's the bad news. The good news is that we can turn it around."
 Funding for Measure 98

wouldn't require new revenue, and it's not dependent on the passage of Measure 97, a bill imposing a gross sales tax on certain businesses.
 The "at least \$800 per student" set aside relies on growth in the state's budget in the next biennium.
 The measure's explanatory statement says if state tax collections to the general fund doesn't grow by at least \$1.5 billion in the 2017-19 biennium, the amount going to the "High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Fund" would be prorated.
 If funded at the full amount, the program would cost \$147 million in the first year.
 In the third year and thereafter, the funding level would be adjusted by the cost increased needed to

maintain the current service levels.
 Schools would have to submit a spending plan before receiving the money.
 Marshall said she understands there will be a lot of demand on the \$1.5 billion in estimated revenue growth in 2017-19 — including Oregon Public Employees Retirement System rate increases — but believes Measure 98's objectives are worth the investment.
 "High school is our last chance to reach students," she said. "So let's invest in focused, targeted, proven areas and turn their futures around."
 For more information about the measure, see the Nov. 8 General Election Voters' Pamphlet.
 There were no arguments against this measure in the Voters' Pamphlet.

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Agenda for the meeting is posted on the Housing Authority website at www.wvpha.org. The location for the meeting is handicapped accessible. Please advise the West Valley Housing Authority if you need any special accommodations to attend the meeting. For information, please call 503-623-8387, TDD 1-800-735-2900.

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