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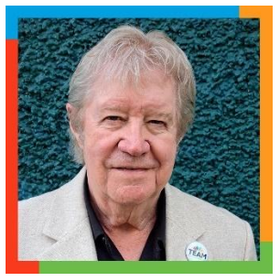
COLLEEN HARDWICK for MAYOR Colleen served on Vancouver City Council for four years until 2022. She is a strong leader who stands up for residents and is a tireless champion of democratic inclusion. A born-and-raised Vancouverite and the 3rd generation in a storied political family to serve in civic office, Colleen loves this city and is dedicated to helping ensure that future generations can continue to live in an affordable, inclusive Vancouver. Her election would make her the first woman in Vancouver's history to serve as mayor.



AMANDA BOGGAN for CITY COUNCIL Amanda's perspective is shaped by her lived experience, community advocacy, and longstanding interest in how public institutions work in practice. She believes local government is most effective when it remains focused on the responsibilities properly assigned to it and on the services that support everyday life in Vancouver's neighbourhoods. She lives in the Downtown Eastside and is a former president of the Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood Council.



JOSH GORDON for CITY COUNCIL Josh has a PhD in political science and taught in a public policy program for seven years. His experience there, and as a statistician, helps him understand how the data available to local governments can lead to better decisions about housing and planning. He wants to address the longstanding issues around addiction and mental health in the city – taking a new approach that is much more about treatment and prevention. Josh has deep roots in Vancouver and lives in East Van with his young family.



CHARLES KELLY for CITY COUNCIL Charles brings decades of public-sector and business experience. As a federal public servant, he advised on housing policy and urban issues. He led a national management consulting firm and served as Commissioner General for the UN World Urban Forum on Sustainable Cities. In Vancouver, Charles has spent 40-plus years as a resident, community volunteer, and small-business owner, including 14 years operating the Blarney Stone in Gastown.



KATHLEEN LARSEN for CITY COUNCIL Born in Vancouver and raised in Victoria, Kathleen studied urban geography and psychology before completing a Master's program at the School of Community and Regional Planning at UBC and a Certificate in Urban Design from SFU. After 26 years of professional municipal planning experience in the Lower Mainland, Kathleen spent four years on the Committee of Adjustment for downtown Toronto. Back in Vancouver, she was appointed in 2021 to her current position as a Director at the Vancouver Heritage Foundation.



RAJ MUNDRA for CITY COUNCIL Raj is a civil engineer with nearly three decades of experience in the local building industry, from renovations and residential building to institutional and commercial projects. His extensive background in design, planning, supervising, budgeting and operations management gives him unusual insight into the complicated realm of construction and city processes. His focus will be improving policy clarity so processes are easier to understand, and helping streamline permit timelines to reduce delays for residents and small businesses.



PATRICK SAURIOL for CITY COUNCIL Patrick has 40 years of digital experience and entrepreneurship beginning as a teenager pioneering Vancouver's bulletin board community of the 1980s. He created Coming Attractions, which became one of the world's biggest online portals for fast-breaking movie news, before going on to work in the emerging industry of digital marketing. He served as Executive Director for DigiBC, helping build and support B.C.'s creative tech industries. He has taught Online Business Development, Project Management, Broadcasting, and Digital Marketing courses at VanArts.



JONATHAN WEISMAN for CITY COUNCIL Jonathan is a lawyer who moved to Vancouver 17 years ago. He has helped steward community organizations ranging from a professional theatre to a school. He led a community centre organization through the final stages of planning a new facility in a rejuvenated multi-use campus, designed to include affordable housing. He has been a Scout leader for a decade and has volunteered his legal services through the pro bono clinic at the Vancouver Courthouse. He believes Vancouver's families and youth deserve to grow, to thrive, and to find homes and jobs in one of the most naturally-gifted places in our country.



MAYELI ALVAREZ for PARK BOARD Mayeli studied Environmental Design at UBC before earning an MSc in Architectural Conservation from the University of Edinburgh. She is an avid biker, swimmer, community centre user, and Vancouver Farmers' Market shopper. Mayeli has been a key figure in the fight for transparency and accountability in the Vancouver Aquatic Centre decision-making process, which she calls "a crash course in everything wrong with how our city is currently being run."



ALLAN FAWLEY for PARK BOARD Allan is an educator with 20 years of experience working with children and families in the public school system. He holds dual graduate degrees: one in urban planning, with a focus on urban design, and another in education, focusing on social justice and equity in curriculum. A longtime Vancouver resident, Allan believes parks and recreation facilities are essential public infrastructure: places to play, neighbours to connect, people to be active, and everyone to enjoy the natural beauty that makes Vancouver exceptional.



WAH GEE for PARK BOARD Wah was born in Hong Kong, grew up in Maple Ridge and has called Vancouver home for 25 years. He has undergrad degrees in marine biology and elementary education, and a master's degree in educational leadership and administration, all from UBC. He teaches in the Surrey school district, where he is active coaching and sponsoring extracurricular activities, is an Indigenous Lead Teacher and holds staff and union leadership positions. Wah serves on the City of Vancouver's Children, Youth and Families Advisory Committee.



JON GIRARD for PARK BOARD Jon is a software consultant. A Vancouver resident for the last decade, he is a recreational swimmer at public pools and a regular at city gyms. As founding managing director of Protecting Our Vancouver Aquatic Centre Society, he built a grassroots campaign into an incorporated BC non-profit that raised over $110,000 from the public, retained counsel and filed a judicial review petition in the BC Supreme Court against the City of Vancouver and the Park Board over the Aquatic Centre replacement. He would rather help fix the process from inside the room than keep proving from outside it that the process is broken.



ALEX TKACH for PARK BOARD Alex's career in digital effects technology and film post-production has included an Emmy nomination in 1982 and an Entrepreneur of the Year finalist nod in 1996 for Northwest Imaging & FX. An avid golfer, Alex is a fierce defender of Langara Golf Course and all Vancouver public green spaces, beaches and urban forest for families, seniors and future generations. He will work for clean, safe, accessible washrooms, playgrounds, pools and community centres that function every day.



KAT NYSTEDT for SCHOOL BOARD Kat is the mother of two children who attend the same Vancouver elementary school that she did. She works as a server and supervisor at a Kitsilano restaurant, studied Culinary Arts at VCC and is a Union of British Columbia Performers member. Kat is running for School Board because she is concerned about the future of education in her city: schools, playgrounds, programs and access.

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