



VOTERS GUIDE

Nonpartisan

MAY 1, 2021, LOCAL ELECTION

LUCAS CITY COUNCIL

Early voting: April 19-27

Election Day Polls: May 1 – 7 am to 7 pm

ABOUT THIS VOTERS GUIDE

This Voters Guide is published by the League of Women Voters of Collin County to help citizens prepare to cast an informed vote. The League of Women Voters encourages informed and active participation in government. The League does not support or oppose any political party or candidate.

This guide is available online at www.LWVCollin.org, along with guides for other offices that include all or part of Collin County. Candidate responses for all races are also available at www.VOTE411.org, where you can enter an address and view a personalized ballot with races specific to that address.

Questionnaires were sent to all candidates for each office, whether or not the race is contested. Candidate replies were subject to a character limit and are printed without editing or verification. If a candidate did not respond by the deadline, "No response received" is printed. Candidates were asked to avoid references to their opponents. Photos are included for candidates who provided them.

This Voters Guide is organized by office sought, with candidates listed in alphabetical order.

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Lucas Mayor & City Council

3-year term, elected citywide. Must be at least 18 years old, a United States citizen, a qualified voter, and a resident of the city. The City Council establishes city policy through ordinances and resolutions.

Questions

Strategic: What actions should the City Council take to ensure a thriving community in the long-term?

Economy: What types of businesses would you like to attract to the city, if any, and what should be done to support existing businesses?

Finance: What would you like to change, if anything, about the city budget and taxation?

Diversity: What will you do to ensure that diverse populations feel welcome and safe in the city and have a voice in city government?

Services: What changes should be made, if any, to city services? What would it take to make these changes?

Pandemic: How should the City Council balance safety and the economy during the pandemic?

Other issues: What other important issues are facing the City Council, and how would you address them?

Jim Olk
Lucas Mayor

No response received

Leslie Wizner
Lucas Mayor



Education: Associate of Applied Science in Funeral Service, Dallas Institute of Funeral Service, September 2018 Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies, Arizona State University, December 2010 Associate's degree General Studies, Fresno City College, CA

Experience: I served in the U.S. Army from 1998 through 2007. From 2007 to present i have been a critical infastructure engineer.

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Strategic: The city should take action through pre-emptive infrastructure repair. Focus on roads, power lines, and internet reliability. The immediate improvement should be on roads which are operating over capacity such as Lucas Road, especially the intersection of Lucas Rd and Southview DR.

Economy: The types of businesses I would like to attract to the city are skilled trades such as HVAC and electrical. These are the kinds of jobs which can't be outsourced and provide well paying wages. They could also work in conjunction with the local schools to provide internships and apprentice programs leading to solid careers.

Finance: I would like to see an easy to search budget posted monthly online with line item expenses reported. I would like to have full transparency so that waste fraud and abuse can be found and stopped. I would like citizen involvement to help eliminate wasteful and unnecessary spending

Diversity: As elected officials, it's up to us lead by example in celebrating our differences and the unique traits we can each bring to the table. It's also up to us to lead by example in finding common ground and building mutually respectful relationships. Every citizen of Lucas has a voice. I look forward to listening.

Services: I would like to see a ballot measure to ask if people are interested in installing a sewer system.

Pandemic: Governor Abbot has opted to lift all occupancy restrictions. Local businesses will now determine the safety protocols they wish to follow. I encourage Lucas residents to frequent those businesses and respect the rules each have posted.

Other issues: - no response -

David Keer
Lucas City Council, Seat 3

No response received

Evelyn Molina
Lucas City Council, Seat 3

No response received

Philip (Phil) Lawrence
Lucas City Council, Seat 4
Uncontested

No response received

City of Lucas Ballot Propositions

Proposition A:

Shall Section 3.02(2) and (3) of the City Charter be amended to remove the transitional provisions that established the staggered terms upon adoption of the Charter and replace with language stating the Mayor and Council members shall be elected and serve staggered terms of three (3) years?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition B:

Shall Section 3.03(1) of the City Charter be amended to further clarify the requirement for holding office to prohibit a council member from holding another position of emolument, except as authorized by state law and if a council member is convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude such member shall immediately forfeit such office?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition C:

Shall Section 3.03(3) of the City Charter be amended to remove a provision that is surplus language as it relates to the filing of an application for a declaration of candidacy that states the City Hall shall not remain open to the general public after such time to accept ballot applications?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition D:

Shall Section 3.13(7) of the City Charter be amended to provide for members appointed to the planning and zoning commission, the zoning board of adjustments and other such boards, committees, commissions and directors to corporations shall have been a resident for a minimum of twelve (12) months at the time of their appointment?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition E:

Shall Section 4.01 of the City Charter be amended to remove a provision that is no longer necessary which required prior to 2009 four (4) affirmative votes of the City Council to appoint a City Manager?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition F:

Shall Section 4.03(9) of the City Charter be amended to remove the requirement that the City Manager is to provide a written report no less than quarterly of the current financial conditions and future needs of the City to be presented orally at an open meeting of the city council?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition G:

Shall Section 4.05 of the City Charter be amended to remove a provision that is no longer necessary which required prior to 2009 four (4) affirmative votes of the City Council to remove the City Manager?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition H:

Shall Section 5.01(1) of the City Charter be amended to remove a provision that is no longer necessary which required prior to 2009 four (4) affirmative votes of the City Council to appoint the City Secretary?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition I:

Shall Section 5.01(4) of the City Charter be amended to remove a provision that is no longer necessary which required prior to 2009 four (4) affirmative votes of the City Council to remove the City Secretary?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition J:

Shall Section 5.02(1) of the City Charter be amended to remove a provision that is no longer necessary which required prior to 2009 four (4) affirmative votes of the City Council to appoint the Municipal Judge?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition K:

Shall Section 5.02(4) of the City Charter be amended to remove a provision that is no longer necessary which required prior to 2009 four (4) affirmative votes of the City Council to remove the Municipal Judge?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition L:

Shall Section 5.03(1) of the City be amended to remove a provision that is no longer necessary which required prior to 2009 four (4) affirmative votes of the City Council to appoint the City Attorney?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition M:

Shall Section 5.03(6) of the City Charter be amended to remove a provision that is no longer necessary which required prior to 2009 four (4) affirmative votes of the City Council to remove the City Attorney?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition N:

Shall Section 6.03(1)(A) of the City Charter be amended to reference that the maximum ad valorem tax rate shall be as provided under the laws of the State of Texas.

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition O:

Shall Section 7.01 of the City Charter be amended to reference the authority of the City to borrow money for public purposes only as allowed by the laws of the State of Texas?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition P:

Shall Section 9.01 (1) of the City Charter be amended to exclude from the Initiative process salaries of City officers or employees?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition Q:

Shall Section 10.01 of the City Charter be amended to reflect current state and federal law regarding franchise utilities that occupy the public right-of-way?

Vote **For** or **Against**

Proposition R:

Shall Section 12.01 of the City Charter be amended to remove language that is no longer necessary regarding the procedure for the adoption of the initial Charter and retitle Article XII “Amendment and Review of Charter” and renumber the Sections accordingly?

Vote **For** or **Against**

You may bring this *Voters Guide* into the voting booth! In 1995, the Texas law prohibiting use of printed materials, such as this *Voters Guide*, in the polling place was ruled unconstitutional (*Texas Election Code, Section 61.011*)

Your vote is your voice. Be heard.