

hi,

This email is just going to a few friends that I hope will consider my recommendation of a candidate for the Kirkland City Council. I apologize if you would prefer not to receive mail such as this and will certainly honor that request in the future.

[The Reporter sits down with Pos. 3 candidates - Kirkland Reporter](#)

After reading the interview with Brad Larssen and his opponent, I think you will find that Brad is a candidate that is thoughtful, detailed, understanding of the issues, and supportive of the Kirkland that I perceive most of us want.

I have also attached a statement about "responsible development" that Brad made publicly and I asked him to put on paper. I think it is a very powerful example as to why he should be elected.

Brad has more political experience than all except one other person running for any of the council positions this year. His experience is regional and statewide and would bring a "global" understanding of issues to the council. For more details go to www.bradlarssen.com

This statement encompasses a lot of what I like about Brad, "Kirkland citizens want responsible development and gradual growth that is consistent with our Comprehensive Plan and zoning codes, and that respects our citizens love for the city and its unique character. We are the only downtown on Lake Washington. We have no room for error. There is no other city like Kirkland. Our citizens and customers come to Kirkland for a Kirkland experience, not a Bellevue experience. We have more in common with Edmonds and Bellingham, small waterfront cities, than Bellevue or Seattle."

Brad's opponent is very pro-development, heavily supported financially by the development community, and has publicly questioned citizen involvement in community decisions. She is widely known for her involvement in July 4th festivities and other downtown events, but I do not think she should be on our city council. Her statements in the above interview are basically what she does not want for Kirkland, rather than what she does want. We need candidates that are proactive, not reactive.

Thanks for considering Brad Larssen for Kirkland City Council and please feel free to forward this to others that may be interested in this election. It is very difficult for the candidates to reach those of us that live in condos, so the more you can spread the word the better.

thanks,

Rob Brown