

Friends and Fellow Citizens:

This morning I filed for reelection, and I seek your support for another term as your mayor.

When I set out upon this course four years ago, I promised you that “*I make things happen.*” With the hard work of a lot of good people, and visionary, cooperative city councils, the city has enjoyed four very productive years:

- completion of the city’s first true and immensely popular park, Melva Campbell Park, under budget and without debt
- completion of a professional drainage analysis and implementation plan
- adopted, imposed, and enforced construction and “good neighbor” standards and regulations upon homebuilders, protecting our existing homeowners
- lowered your tax rate, with a significant increase in cash reserves
- adopted a “one lot = one house” zoning initiative, to protect existing neighborhoods from high-density redevelopment
- increased the city’s bond rating by two steps, up to AA -- the same as Fort Worth and Arlington – unheard of for a city of our size
- refinanced the city’s indebtedness, at a savings of over \$400,000
- merged our police dispatch with White Settlement, at an annual savings of \$250,000
- significant staff upgrades, especially Brandy Barrett as the city administrator and Wes O’Banion as the head golf professional
- strengthened the relationship between the city and NAS JRB

Most importantly, I’ve tried diligently to restore trust, confidence, candor, and openness at city hall. I have promptly answered every phone call, and returned every letter and email. Anyone who has been inside city hall knows the office to the mayor’s door is *literally* always open.

Yet, significant challenges remain. Important matters on the city’s agenda for the near future include:

- the important Kite Farms/Trinity Terrace zoning case
- oversight of the third-party lease/clubhouse restoration project at the golf course
- decisions regarding the Navy’s recent F-18 gift to the city (the same jet as in *Top Gun: Maverick*)

I acknowledge and respect that citizens sometimes disagree with my decisions and positions, but I trust all who deal with your city government and with me believe we do things properly, above-board, and the right way.

The election is on May 6th, and filing for the election just began today. We'll see what the future brings, but **I am honored to be your mayor**. As always, please feel free to call upon me if I might ever be of service.

--Mayor Kelly Jones



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