



**Kurt Alberts**  
Re-elect for Mayor

# A Message from Kurt Alberts

I would like to thank the many people who have worked to support me in my campaign for re-election for Mayor. It has been a lot of hard work but also an opportunity to come together again for a common cause, the future of our municipality. Many of you have been phoning to obtain some advice on the choices for the Council positions. In fact, we have been inundated with requests for a "list". As an independent, my bias is naturally toward those candidates that I see as free of pressure group influence or other affiliations. With the help of people I respect from the different parts of Langley a "list" has emerged. The "Advisory Panel" used criteria that included: track record of community volunteerism, independent decision making, and representation of the different areas of Langley. I share the results of their thoughtful deliberations. I commit to working together with the candidates they have suggested but also commit to working with whoever you chose to put on Council.

## Advisory Panel of Citizens

Bernadette Thompson, Glen Valley, policing volunteer  
John Campbell, Murrayville, former School Board Chair and Township Councillor  
John Jackman, Otter, tree farmer and community volunteer  
Alice Johnson, Willoughby, heritage volunteer  
Bill Lakevold, Brookswood, retired Municipal Engineer  
Joan Chesney, Fort Langley, recipient Citizen of the Year Award  
John Cameron, Walnut Grove, sports volunteer  
Gary Tingley, Milner, retired District Fire Chief  
Angie McDougal, Aldergrove Business Owner, past President, Chamber of Commerce  
Bruno Giacomazzi, 0 Ave. South Langley, farmer and Speed Watch volunteer  
Al Billingsley, 16 Ave. South Langley, social services volunteer

- **Alberts, Kurt**  
8 For Council:
- **Kositsky, Mel**
- **Fox, Charlie**
- **Baker, Sherry**
- **Long, Bob**
- **Vickberg, Howie**
- **Hulbert, Sandra**
- **Ward, Grant**
- **Ferguson, Steve**

### **Kurt on Slates:**

"I think the voters made a real, defining statement in Langley Township. That is, that they don't appreciate slate politics. The voters prefer independent council members who come together for the benefit of the community." (Advance, Nov 19, 2002)

"I think that the community is better served by independence, because community vision is better than slate vision. In this term we have proven that working together gets things done." (Advance, Nov 12, 2002)

"Please give me a council of independent thinkers." (Advance, Nov 12, 2002)

"I think it's healthy to have independents." (Times, Nov. 6, 2002)



"A slate of independents is an oxymoron." (Advance, Nov. 5, 1999)

"I believe the mayor has to be independent in order to facilitate effectively the work of council." (Advance, Oct. 26, 1999)

"I'm just so happy I made the decision to go independent and that I'm not tied to other candidates on a slate." (Advance, Oct. 15, 1999)

### **Kurt on Taxes:**

"The municipality is in good financial shape, and I don't foresee a need for a general tax increase in the short or medium term." (Advance, Oct 22, 2002)

"I don't see the need for any tax increase." (Times, Nov 6, 2002)

*RECORD: 1% in 2003, 3.75% in 2004, 3.2% in 2005*