

Community Councils and their members **are important**

The annual elections on Tuesday, November 6 in Millcreek communities of Millcreek, East Mill Creek, Canyon Rim and Mt. Olympus will be held to ensure each council is fully staffed. These councils are important because they provide communities with an identity. The councils are able to plan and present recommendations on actions to the city as representatives of their area. Community councils form a link between residents and the city government.

Whether concerns center on zoning, safety, health or other issues, the community council is the place to start working on a solution. Community councils submit an annual list of their top priorities to the Mayor's office. Community councils play an important role in promoting the well-being of their local neighborhoods, developing community spirit and informing the residents about matters of public concern.

The city review processes start at the community council level; the Councils play an important role in reviewing and making recommendations on applications; e.g., development, rezone, ordinance changes; Millcreek City's first "grass roots" review of new ordinances usually takes place at the community council level.

Community councils hold their meetings in public so all residents can attend. Special meetings can also be called in order to assess the views of their community members on major issues. They participate actively in assuring that their representative community views are heard and recognized. They should always act in a non-political and non-sectarian way.

College degrees, special training courses or being multi-lingual are not required for community residents wanting to run for their community council. People wanting to share of their time and skills are perfect. Potential candidates must be over 18 years old, be a resident where they plan to run and their name must appear on the County's electoral roll, they can have no legal incapacity and filling out the Declaration of Candidacy form is necessary. The Declaration of Candidacy is collected by the elections officer of each community council.

Those community members wanting to spend a few hours a week and work on improving their area are encouraged to submit their Declaration of Candidacy. Millcreek is strengthened by dozens of community-minded people who serve on their councils. With the upcoming elections it is a great time to become part of this group and run for a council position.

Those wanting to be a candidate in the upcoming election are required to fill out a Declaration of Candidacy Form, contact the Election Judge in your respective area for the form and submit back to the Election Judge along with a maximum 75 word biography and a .jpg photograph by cob Wednesday, Sep 29th.

CANYON RIM CITIZENS ASSOCIATION ELECTIONS

There are openings in need of being filled. Twelve (12) council members are up for re-election this year. All Canyon Rim residents interested in being part of the movers and shakers behind the scenes in their community are welcomed to submit their Declaration of Candidacy form to CRCA's Election Officer Kory Meyerink at Korym@comcast.net or 801 466 1888.

EAST MILL CREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

East Mill Creek Community Council has been a part of steering the area's direction for many, many years and the annual election for new members will be held in November. Seven of the seats on the board are up for election this year. Any East Mill Creek resident who appreciates the one-of-a-kind character of their community may be interested in joining the council. Fill out the **Declaration of Candidacy Form** and submit it to EMCCC Election Officer Clark Smith at sclarksmith@hotmail.com or 801 652 9279.

MILLCREEK COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Millcreek Community Council (MCC) has six openings in need of being filled. All MCC residents interested in being part of the grassroots activities in our community are welcomed to submit their

Declaration of Candidacy form to CRCA's Election Officers Allen Sowards at sowardsah@gmail.com, 801 261 4377 or France Ross at frross@comcast.net, 801 913 3958.

MT OLYMPUS COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

The MOCC is preparing for the upcoming council election in November. They have five open seats. Two seats are available in the north voting area (north of Old Millcreek Canyon Road) and three seats in the South Voting Area (south of Old Millcreek Canyon Road.). Voters must vote for representatives in their area or voting district. All Mt. Olympus residents interested in guiding their community and making improvements are encouraged to complete the Declaration of Candidacy form and submit to the election officer, Pasu Pasupathi at pasupathi@comcast.net or [801 274-818](tel:801274818)