

MEET THE CANDIDATES

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My wife, Susan, and I moved to the Town of Chevy Chase in 1980. We raised our 2 sons, Albert and James, in the Town. We have always worked to make our wonderful Town an even better place.

My career has traveled many paths. After leaving the technical arena, mathematician and computer scientist, I was fortunate to have business success because I gained and applied management and financial skills. Skills I will continue to leverage for TOCC.

In talking with many of you, I know you care about government services, fiscal responsibility and safety. As a councilmember since 2008, these have been and remain my priorities. Included among many efforts are the following: improved street lighting, appropriate increases to policing, storm drains, sidewalk installations, improved traffic flow, safety at Chevy Chase Elementary School, etc.

I want to work with all of you to do more:

- Exceptional government services – Most important, expand green space to create a buffer to the Bethesda growth. I will investigate the purchase of the parking lots west of 46th Street and east of Wisconsin. If successful this will create the buffer the Town needs to Bethesda encroachment, while providing the possibility for green space.
- Solid fiscal responsibility – There are many examples, (tackling the \$9M reserves being one), but none is more important than my recent vote against the \$360,000 for BIR, our Purple Line lobbying firm. While I have worked hard during my 6 years as Councilmember to find the right resources to mitigate this project, we are elected fiduciaries. Sadly, this contract lacked critical elements; there was not a request for proposal; it was not a competitive process; and we did not negotiate price. Elements well understood by all, not just a business person.
- Strengthened safety – Among several possibilities are improving street lighting; making our streets pedestrian safe, both flow and speeds; assuring the right level of policing; etc.

The Town has grown and prospered since Susan and I bought our house on Underwood. To move forward, TOCC needs leadership, management and financial skills. I will bring these to bear while bringing a new openness: reaching out to all, listening to all, involving all during council meetings. As always, do not hesitate to contact me, 301 657 4394, al.lang@townofchevyCHASE.org.

I would be honored to receive your vote. Thank You.