

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL City of Grover Beach</b></p> <p><b>LIZ DOUKAS</b> Occupation: Court Reporter</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Age: 47</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> For 14 years I've been a self-employed certified shorthand and registered professional court reporter at both state and federal levels. I have extensive litigation background, including specialized public agency hearings. Previously employed for many years by Pacific Bell in various positions including payroll.</p> <p>My professional knowledge in litigation and finance will greatly benefit me as your Councilperson to guide city staff in the direction of fiscal responsibility that will be beneficial and positive for all of our citizens.</p> <p>In 2003, others and myself presented the Council with a petition of 1,400+ voter signatures requesting more street money, causing \$710,000 to be budgeted that year. I will continue to be an advocate for repair of our blighted infrastructure, while serving as your Councilperson.</p> <p>I'm a member of the Traffic &amp; Noise Group (TANG) that aids in resolving various traffic and noise problems throughout the city. I've participated in the visioning workshops and regularly attend Council &amp; Planning Commission meetings to voice a citizen's viewpoint on issues, volunteered for various city activities, like the recent kid's bike safety rodeo.</p> <p>I want more than anything to be your spokesperson on the City Council, to insure that your wishes are heard and carried out.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">s/ Liz Doukas</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL City of Grover Beach</b></p> <p><b>DON FIELDING</b> Occupation: Retired</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Age: 67</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> Graduated from Fresno State University with a degree in criminology, spending 31 years in probation administration. My professional background as an Asst. Chief Probation Officer will be an invaluable resource. Understanding the complexity of bureaucracies, I know how to move them forward. My training allows me to make contributions to public safety. More importantly, I'm a people person who wants to bring your needs and desires to City Hall as your spokesperson.</p> <p>After successfully raising 3 children, a dream came true for my wife and me when we moved to this idyllic beach community. My goal is to preserve our quaint atmosphere and maintain our City's infrastructure. Degraded streets and blighted infrastructure not only devalues neighborhoods but reveals poor budget management.</p> <p>As a retiree, I'm prepared to devote whatever time it takes to get the job done. Absenteeism will not be a word in my vocabulary. I will seek to improve our City's economic base, but not at the expense of sacrificing values and qualities held dear in our community.</p> <p>I will be proud to serve you.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">s/ Donald W. Fielding</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL City of Grover Beach</b></p> <p><b>STEVE DIAMOND</b> Occupation: Businessman</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I am a loyal and patriotic American and I believe in private property rights and personal freedom.</p> <p>I feel very strongly that the city must protect private property rights. The right of a property owner to do what he wishes to do with his property should be protected. I believe in freedom. Right now this country is fighting terrorists, extremists, the Taliban and those who would seek to restrict our freedoms.</p> <p>I would like to push for improvement of our streets as well as be your voice for financial accountability and misuse of funds.</p> <p>We should put the needs of the citizens of our Community first, as opposed to those of the developers.</p> <p>I would like to try and use some of the grants that the City has received and will receive for the intended use, i.e. our roads.</p> <p>I would like to help bring businesses to Grover Beach and feel the Investors will soon follow.</p> <p>You know what you have now. It is time for a change.</p> <p>I have a mind of my own, and will do what is right for the community.</p> <p>Please vote for me.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">s/ Steve Diamond</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DEL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL Ciudad de Grover Beach</b></p> <p><b>STEVE DIAMOND</b> Ocupación: Hombre de Negocios</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Soy un norteamericano leal y patriótico y creo en los derechos de la propiedad privada y la libertad personal.</p> <p>Siento firmemente que la ciudad debe proteger los derechos de propiedad privada. Debería protegerse el derecho del propietario a hacer lo que desee con su propiedad. Creo en la libertad. En este momento, este país está luchando contra terroristas, extremistas, el Talibán y los que buscan restringir nuestra libertad.</p> <p>Desearía luchar por la mejora de nuestras calles así como también ser su vocero para la responsabilidad financiera y el mal uso de los fondos.</p> <p>Deberíamos poner en primer lugar las necesidades de los ciudadanos de nuestra Comunidad, en lugar de la de los urbanizadores.</p> <p>Me gustaría acceder a y utilizar algunas de las subvenciones que la Ciudad ha recibido y recibirá para el uso previsto, es decir, nuestras carreteras.</p> <p>Me gustaría ayudar a traer negocios a Grover Beach y creo que los Inversionistas pronto harán lo mismo.</p> <p>Usted sabe lo que tiene ahora. Ya es hora de que haya un cambio.</p> <p>Sé bien lo que quiero, y haré lo correcto para la comunidad.</p> <p>Por favor vote por mí.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">f/ Steve Diamond</p>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL City of Grover Beach</b></p> <p><b>BILL NICOLLS</b> Occupation: Retired</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> Since moving to Grover Beach six years ago I have become very involved in our community, beginning as Board President for the homeowners association where we live, which started my interaction with City officials and staff. For four years I have been a Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commissioner, currently as Chairperson. Recently I was named Grover Beach representative to the County Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee, and appointed to the Mayor's Ad Hoc Advisory Committee to study the city's parking issues.</p> <p>I regularly attend City Council meetings and many Planning Commission meetings. I am familiar with the goals of this community as they have been established by the City Council and Staff. Grover Beach is at the beginning of great economic development. I wish to be part of continuing this economic trend, allowing infrastructure issues, such as deteriorating streets, to receive Council's concentrated attention.</p> <p>I ask for your support and your vote. If elected, I pledge to consider each issue with an open mind, to listen to and work with all citizens to make this the best city it can be.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">s/ W. L. Nicolls</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DEL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL Ciudad de Grover Beach</b></p> <p><b>BILL NICOLLS</b> Ocupación: Retirado</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> Desde que me mudé a Grover Beach hace seis años me he involucrado mucho en nuestra comunidad, comenzando como Presidente de la Junta para la asociación de propietarios de casas donde vivimos, lo que inició mi interrelación con los funcionarios y el personal de la Ciudad. Durante cuatro años he sido Comisionado de Parques, Recreación y Embellecimiento, actualmente como Presidente. Hace poco me nombraron representante de Grover Beach para el Comité Asesor de Transporte de los Ciudadanos del Condado, y me nombraron para el Comité Asesor Ad Hoc del Alcalde para estudiar los asuntos del estacionamiento de la ciudad.</p> <p>Asisto regularmente a las reuniones del Concejo Municipal y varias reuniones de la Comisión de Planificación. Conozco los objetivos de esta comunidad según fueron establecidos por el Concejo y el Personal de la Ciudad. Grover Beach está en el principio de un gran desarrollo económico. Deseo ser parte del mantenimiento de esta tendencia económica, permitiendo que los asuntos de infraestructura, como el deterioro de las calles, reciban una atención centrada del Concejo.</p> <p>Pido su apoyo y su voto. Si resulto electo, prometo considerar cada asunto con una mentalidad abierta, escuchar a todos los ciudadanos y trabajar con ellos para hacer de ésta la mejor ciudad posible.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">f/ W. L. Nicolls</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>STATEMENT OF CANDIDATE FOR MEMBER OF CITY COUNCIL City of Grover Beach</b></p> <p><b>JOHN SHOALS</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Age: 45</b></span> Occupation: Incumbent</p> <p><b>Education and Qualifications:</b> I have served Grover Beach as a mayor, council member and community volunteer. I thank the citizens for allowing me to serve this wonderful community.</p> <p>My term has seen many community accomplishments, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilitated a committee that secured a joint powers agreement with the State of California. After more than 20 years, the beachfront lodge and conference center will become a reality for the City of Grover Beach. The lodge facility will stimulate economic investment and generate revenues to help pay for vital City services and street repair.</li> <li>Establishment of the City's first full-time Fire Department to improve public safety and emergency medical services.</li> <li>Initiation of the Mentone Storm Drain and the Meadow Creek Bridge Rehabilitation.</li> <li>Substantial investment in local streets while maintaining vital City water resources, storm drainage and public safety.</li> <li>Completion of capital projects such as the Downtown project, the Boardwalk and Oak Park Widening.</li> </ul> <p>I could not do this without the support of my wife and daughters. I will continue to represent the interests of working families and other community members. With your support, I will continue to maintain a balance between economic development, infrastructure improvements, public safety, housing and the environment.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">s/ John Shoals</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>DECLARACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA MIEMBRO DEL CONCEJO MUNICIPAL Ciudad de Grover Beach</b></p> <p><b>JOHN SHOALS</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Edad: 45</b></span> Ocupación: Titular</p> <p><b>Educación y Competencia:</b> He servido a Grover Beach como alcalde, miembro del consejo y voluntario de la comunidad. Agradezco a los ciudadanos por permitirme servir a esta maravillosa comunidad.</p> <p>Durante mi mandato he presenciado varios logros de la comunidad, que incluyen:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilité un comité que aseguró un acuerdo de poderes mancomunados con el Estado de California. Después de más de 20 años, el alojamiento frente a la playa y el centro de conferencias se convertirán en una realidad para la Ciudad de Grover Beach. La instalación del alojamiento estimulará la inversión económica y generará rentas para ayudar a pagar servicios indispensables y reparaciones de calles de la Ciudad.</li> <li>Establecimiento del primer Departamento de Bomberos de jornada completa de la Ciudad para mejorar la seguridad pública y los servicios médicos de emergencia.</li> <li>Inicio del Desagüe Pluvial de Mentone y la Reparación del Puente de Meadow Creek.</li> <li>Inversión substancial en las calles locales manteniendo al mismo tiempo los recursos hídricos indispensables, el desagüe pluvial y la seguridad pública de la Ciudad.</li> <li>Finalización de proyectos de capital como el proyecto del Centro de la Ciudad, Boardwalk y la Ampliación de Oak Park.</li> </ul> <p>No podría hacer esto sin el apoyo de mi esposa e hijas. Seguiré representando los intereses de las familias trabajadoras y demás miembros de la comunidad. Con su apoyo, seguiré manteniendo un equilibrio entre el desarrollo económico, las mejoras de infraestructura, la seguridad pública, la vivienda y el medio ambiente.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">f/ John Shoals</p>

**CITY OF GROVER BEACH**

**FULL TEXT OF MEASURE U-06**

Shall the electors elect a Mayor and four Council Members?

YES NO

**NO IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OR ARGUMENTS WERE SUBMITTED FOR MEASURE U-06**

**FULL TEXT OF MEASURE V-06**

Shall the term of office of Mayor be two years?

YES NO

**NO IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OR ARGUMENTS WERE SUBMITTED FOR MEASURE V-06**

**FULL TEXT OF MEASURE W-06**

Shall the term of office of Mayor be four years?

YES NO

**NO IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OR ARGUMENTS WERE SUBMITTED FOR MEASURE W-06**

**BALLOT QUESTION FOR MEASURE X-06**

**VITAL CITY SERVICES PROTECTION**

Shall the City of Grover Beach sales tax be increased by one-half percent (0.5%) and a citizens' oversight committee be created to help preserve the safety and character of Grover Beach by funding essential services, including the Police and Fire Departments, repair potholes and fix city streets and sidewalks, increase recreation opportunities for seniors and youth, improve city parks and beach access, and other general city services?

YES NO

**IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS OF MEASURE X-06**

Measure X-06 proposes to raise revenues for vital City services funded through the City's General Fund, including police and fire protection, park maintenance and recreational programs and facilities, as well as maintenance and repair of City streets and storm drains, by authorizing a one-half percent (0.5%) sales tax within the City of Grover Beach. The tax would be paid in addition to current state and local sales taxes and would be collected at the same time and in the same manner as the existing sales taxes.

California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 7285.9 authorizes the City Council to levy a transactions and use tax (i.e., a "sales tax") for general purposes at certain rates, including a one-half percent (0.5%) rate if the following requirements are met: (a) the ordinance proposing that tax is approved by a two-thirds vote of all members of the governing body and is subsequently approved by a majority vote of qualified voters for the City voting in the election on the issue; and (b) the transactions and use tax conforms to the Transactions and Use Tax Law Part 1.6 (commencing with Section 7251).

Measure X-06 states that the one-half percent (0.5%) sales tax would be used to supplement the City's General Fund, from which various vital City services are funded. It is estimated that if this Measure were to pass, it would raise \$480,000 for these purposes. The City is legally bound not to allocate the proceeds from this tax to a specific purpose, but rather to use them as an additional source of revenue for the City's General Fund for essential services.

The Measure provides for a citizens' oversight committee to be created.

s/ Martin D. Koczanowicz  
City Attorney, City of Grover Beach

**The above statement is an impartial analysis of Measure X-06. If you desire a copy of the Measure, it is available on the City of Grover Beach website at [www.grover.org/election.htm](http://www.grover.org/election.htm) or please call the City Clerk's Office at (805) 473-4567 and a copy will be mailed to you. A copy is also available on the County Clerk-Recorder's website at <http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/clerk.htm>**

## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR OF MEASURE X-06

- Passage of Measure X-06 is crucial to the immediate and long-term future of Grover Beach. It is critical to offset the City's fiscal shortfalls that are the result of rising costs, lagging revenue, and financial "take-aways" by the State of California.
- Despite conservative and careful management, during the last two years the City has been forced to use reserve funds for operating costs. The continued use of our reserves is unacceptable.
- Without new revenue from passage of Measure X-06, the City will face cuts in vital city services.
- The City must have new revenue to be able to maintain its current level of emergency service response.
- The City must have new revenue to maintain and repair the City's aged infrastructure
- This modest increase – much of which will be paid by visitors to the City -- will provide \$480,000 annually for critical services and infrastructure repair.
- Vote YES on Measure X-06 for strong fiscal accountability through a Citizens' Oversight Committee, supported by the City's annual, independent General Fund audit process.

We are Grover Beach. We need Measure X-06. Please vote a resounding YES on Measure X-06!

s/ Larry Versaw, Mayor

s/ Stephen C. Lieberman, Mayor Pro Tem

s/ Dave Ekbohm, Council Member

s/ John P. Shoals, Council Member

## NO REBUTTAL TO THE ARGUMENT FOR MEASURE X-06 WAS SUBMITTED

## ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE X-06

A *NO VOTE* is necessary, because it will not address the long-standing imbalance in budget appropriations. Money is guaranteed for everything except the \$30 million residential street problem. The last substantial money budgeted for residential streets were the \$710,000 in 2003 due to a voter protest. It was spread out over several years. Construction impact fees collected on local streets are being spent on major projects like Oak Park rather than residential streets.

Public safety consumes \$4 million of the \$6 million General Funds. City payroll burgeoned from \$3 million to \$6 million in 10 years. It's unacceptable, when income doesn't keep up. Hundreds of thousands spent on consultants, to do the work of staff. Everyone has an advocate seeking funds. *There's no spokesperson for the streets, except YOU.*

The City's consultant Lew Edwards Group's poll found out that over 77% of the voters surveyed wanted an earmarked street measure. The replies from the recent 4,000-piece brochure mailing unanimously opted for street, potholes & sewer repairs as the top 3 choices. *YOU have been heard, but once again ignored.*

Even though an oversight committee is recommended, the ultimate decision lies with the City Council. Past history indicates that the streets will get little attention. Passing a general measure and putting it into the general fund pot *fails to address the City's financial dilemma.* To vote for this measure is like giving another credit card to someone who needs financial counseling.

It's time to be heard, as the voters were in 1998. Reject a measure that refuses to listen to the voters. The City needs to live within its means as you do. *VOTE NO ON MEASURE X-06.*

s/ Chuck Ashton, Grover Beach City Councilman

## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST MEASURE X-06

Councilmember Ashton knows better. His argument against Measure X-06 distorts several facts to support his agenda. Since he voted twice to approve deficit budgets and every employee salary and benefit increase, he should know how much we need revenues generated by Measure X-06.

### **THE FACTS:**

- **FACT:** Over the last three years, the city spent \$1.3 million on streets and has budgeted \$773,000 for streets in 2007. Everyone wants streets improved. Everyone also wants dependable water, sewer and storm drains, safety from crime, emergency medical services and parks. We know this because you told us so in the recent survey Ashton cited.
- **FACT:** Ashton fails to say that the survey shows a measure to support critical services including streets would be approved by a larger margin than a measure restricted to streets alone.
- **FACT:** X-06 gives you – the local citizen – control over funding for city services. Every dime generated stays in Grover Beach and can't be taken by Sacramento.
- **FACT:** Ashton's argument about increased payroll fails to mention that the increase was largely due to creation of a full-time fire department and more police. The city operates at minimum staffing levels.
- **FACT:** X-06 will cost just 5 cents on every \$10 of sales – and visitors will help pay the cost. Sales tax is not levied on food, medicine or gasoline.
- **TRUTH:** passing Measure X-06 **DOES** fix our streets. Don't let Ashton's scare tactics and misrepresentations fool you. Vote **YES** on Measure X-06.

s/ Stephen C. Lieberman, Mayor Pro Tem

s/ Dee Santos, Former Mayor

s/ Tony Merlo, Past President Chamber of Commerce

s/ Larry Versaw, Mayor

s/ Carol Roberts, Grover Beach Library Board