

East Bethel Candidate Profile



Candidate Name: Randy Plaisance

Office Sought: City Council Member

Bio:



I grew up in Minneapolis, graduated from West High School, and attended Hennepin Technical College in Eden Prairie. I've been employed by Target for 20 years and am currently a Data Specialist with them.

My family and I moved to East Bethel 26 years ago, and have been involved in Scouting, 4-H, church, sports, and school events. These experiences have made me aware of the need for a balanced approach to considering the issues, creating dialog, and listening to all.

I began to volunteer with the city in 2012 to redesign their website. In 2013 I joined the Planning Commission and served for three years, the last as Planning Chair. I was elected to council in 2016 and served on the Parks, Roads, and Finance committees. I was also a member of the Economic Development Authority, Blaine Airport Commission, and acting mayor for two years. I have seldom missed meetings for any of these appointments.

During my term our council has increased development to include: East Bethel Senior Living, Cambia Hills youth center, East Bethel Apartments, and the Viking Preserve development. We have resurfaced the east side frontage road along Highway 65 and connected these businesses to city sewer and water. Future projects include: Dollar General on County Road 22 and Wild Rice Drive, new development from Elevage by Another Man's Treasure, and a frontage road from there to County Road 22. It is hoped that these and future developments will bring a much needed grocery store to our area. Additionally, these businesses will continue to add to the positive operating balance that we are currently seeing with regards to the city sewer and water.

What I hope to accomplish in my next term is to continue to expand our communication, keep our taxes low, and continue to look for opportunities to increase investment within our city while also maintaining our rural atmosphere. I look forward to serving you for another four years.