

# East Bethel Candidate Profile



**Candidate Name:** *Suzanne Erkel*

**Office Sought:** *Mayor*

**Bio:**

It has been such a privilege and honor to serve on the city council these past 4 years. I have learned so much.

I have lived in East Bethel since I retired from the Army in 1998. I have been married for 35 years and our 2 children graduated from ISD 15.

I have degrees in Education, Business, and Health Care Management. I have been a small business owner for 15 years and I am an avid networker and volunteer.

I value the uniqueness of this city. The blend of peaceful rural life and essential development. The friendliness of the people increases the city's appeal.

I decided to run for Mayor to bring more transparency of the decisions made by the city council and administration to the residents.

My record of standing up for residents speaks for itself. As Mayor, I will be in an even better position to continue to advocate for and support our residents.

It is imperative to support and enable the rights of residents to manage their own property and I will continue to do so.

I believe every levy should be voted on by the residents. The pros and cons of every decision should be questioned, which will increase transparency.

Finally, as mayor I will provide a more positive and respectful vibe to our meetings.

