# **Candidate's Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet**

Important! Please read all instructions before completing this form. This form is to be used when filing a 'Candidate's Statement for County Voters' Pamphlet' with your County Elections office. Please note that each county produces a separate County Voters' Pamphlet. If the jurisdiction or district is located in more than one county a separate 'Candidate's Statement for Voters' Pamphlet' form must be filed and the fee paid to each county where the statement is to be printed. FILING INFORMATION Election: ✓ Primary 20 <sup>16</sup> General 20 Special Name of Candidate (as it will appear on ballot): **KEN STOKES** Filing for the Office of (what's applicable): District: 1 Position: COMMISSIONER Zone #: "This Information Furnished by" (required: name of Candidate or Committee as should appear in Voters' Pamphlet): **KEN STOKES CONTACT INFORMATION** Phone: Cell: (503) 607-4724 \_Work:\_\_\_\_\_ Home: (503) 606-6408 E-Mail: KEN.STOKES@GMAIL.COM Warning: Any person who supplies information in the 'Required' portion of a Voters' Pamphlet statement, knowing it to be false, is subject upon conviction, of a Class C felony, to imprisonment for up to five years or to a fire of \$225,000, or both. ORS 260.715 (1); 260.993 (2); 161.605; and 161.625. Note: Language which violates any provision of ORS 251.415 will be excluded from the Voters' famphies By signing this document, I hereby state: - That all information provided by me on this form and in this Statement is true to the best of my knowled - I am the author of this Statement (ORS 251.415); - I have read and understand the instructions for submitting this 'Candidate Statement'; and - The portrait provided, if any, is less than four (4) years old. Signature redacted Signature of Cardidate or Agent on behalf of Candidate (If applicable) Printed name of Agent Phone number For Office Use only: O County: Mu/7 Optional info? Yes No Intake Staff Initials: Cash-receipt #: 2 Endorsements? O Yes # O No Portrait? Word Count (325 max): 🛡 Print? # Digital copy? Yes Regulred Info? Copy? Yes No Review Staff Initials: Signed? OYes O No

## **OCCUPATION:**

**GREEN ECONOMIST (RETIRED)** 

## **OCCUPATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

URBAN PLANNER, STRATEGY CONSULTANT, AUTHOR, TECH ENTREPRENEUR, SUSTAINABILITY ADVISOR

## **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

COLUMBIA ACADEMY (BATTLEGROUND/WA);
UNIVERSITY OF BRIDGEPORT (CT), BUSINESS ECONOMICS, BS;
SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY, URBAN ECONOMICS, MA;
STANFORD UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT, MBA

#### PRIOR GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE:

TWICE-ELECTED, BOARD OF ALDERMEN, NEW HAVEN/CT; APPOINTED, COUNTY ECONOMIC AND SUSTAINABILITY ADVISOR, KAUAI/HI

### **Portland Boy**

A 4<sup>th</sup>-generation 'native', Ken is a red-white-and-black American who lived all over this county as a kid, all over the country as an adult, and recently retired back home, seeking now to represent the Westside from his residence in Goose Hollow.

Blessed with a great mind, top schooling and multiple careers, Ken has helped community leaders across the U.S. cut through distractions to build consensus on complex policy challenges.

#### **Planetary Citizen**

With broad experience as an urban planner and local elected official in New England, strategy consultant throughout North America, tech entrepreneur in California, and sustainability advisor and sovereignty activist in Hawaii, as well as training in urban economics and a Stanford MBA, Ken can contribute significantly to high-level deliberations focused on the County's strategic and financial challenges.

Over the decades, Ken has volunteered frequently for causes in which he believed, across a spectrum of neighborhood associations, environmental and indigenous groups, civic clubs, development NGOs, and sustainability initiatives.

#### **Progressive Leader**

Ken has been a keynote speaker at sustainability and planning conferences, trained leaders from all sectors in sustainability thinking, and authored a popular book and blog on sustainability in Hawaii, where he lived for 25 years. He was an early participant in the 'ecol-econ listsery' which birthed the field of 'green economics'.

Ken intends to bring more 'Boomer wisdom' into our County decision-making, and will push for reshaping our 21<sup>st</sup> century government toward a 'civic tech' platform for enabling local action, with a special focus on strengthening community resilience.

## Personal Beliefs

• "What it is is up to us."

(quoting Reed-grad Haward Rheingald's famous 1985 email-signature)

• Our choice: neither left nor right, but forward!