

2018 Candidates for Orange County Board of County Commissioners

Question	Chamber	Tommy T. McNeill	Earl McKee	Sally Greene	Jamezetta Bedford	Brian Crawford	Noah Oswald
1) Do you believe Orange County is growing too quickly ?	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	NO
2) Where does growing the commercial tax base rank among your priorities?	VERY HIGH	VERY HIGH	VERY HIGH	VERY HIGH	VERY HIGH	VERY HIGH	VERY HIGH
3) Do you support the use of incentives to attract appropriate new enterprises and jobs to Orange County?	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
4) Do you support funding county services (like schools, public libraries, parks) through taxes rather than fees?	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
5) Do you support exploring amending the rural buffer boundaries and regulations to accommodate uses such as park and ride lots, public facilities, affordable housing, and schools?	YES	YES	YES	UNSURE	NO	YES	UNSURE
6) Last spring the County Commissioners voted to endorse the Durham and Orange Counties' Light Rail Project (D-OLRT). Had you been a County Commissioner, would you have supported this; if you were a Commissioner, did you support it?	YES	YES	NO	YES	NO	NO	NO
7) Would you support Orange County being a partner in developing the Gateway Light Rail Station area in Chapel Hill, such as funding infrastructure like water/sewer facilities or streets to accelerate economic development and job creation, and/or investing some of the 2016 affordable housing bond funds in a project to provide affordable units in that area?	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	UNSURE
8) Do you support appointing more business representatives on county planning boards and commissions ?	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
9) Do you support opening appointment eligibility for boards and commissions to property owners and business owners as well as residents?	YES	YES	YES	UNSURE	NO	YES	UNSURE
10) Do you support adopting a budget with no tax increase except for the increase required to pay for the approved bond of 2016 for education and affordable housing?	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	YES
11) Do you believe the OWASA proposed reductions in non-residential system development fees are still too high?	YES	YES	UNSURE	UNSURE	UNSURE	UNSURE	UNSURE
12) Do you support maintaining or increasing the County funding level for the Chapel Hill Orange County Visitor's Bureau and Orange County Economic Development ?	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
TOTAL ALIGNED WITH CHAMBER:	Chamber 12	Tommy T. McNeill 12	Earl McKee 10	Sally Greene 9	Jamezetta Bedford 8	Brian Crawford 8	Noah Oswald 7
13) Please prioritize this list for budgeting purposes as top, medium, or low priority:		Tommy T. McNeill	Earl McKee	Sally Greene	Jamezetta Bedford	Brian Crawford	Noah Oswald
Schools:		TOP	TOP	TOP	TOP	TOP	TOP
Affordable housing:		MEDIUM	MEDIUM	TOP	MEDIUM	TOP	TOP
Streamlining the unified development ordinance:		MEDIUM	TOP	MEDIUM	LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM
Parks:		LOW	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM
New county offices:		LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW	LOW
Recruiting and retaining employers:		TOP	TOP	TOP	TOP	TOP	TOP
No tax increases:		LOW	TOP	TOP	LOW	MEDIUM	TOP
Rural internet expansion:		TOP	TOP	TOP	MEDIUM	MEDIUM	TOP