# **INFORMED VOTERS'** CANDIDATE COMPARISON GUIDE



## for the May 2024 Kerrville City Council Election



## **Mayoral Candidate**

Joe Herring



Age: 62 years old

Education: BBA from UT
Property Taxpayer: Yes
Former Mayor: Yes
Work History: Small business owner

# of Non-Profit Boards Served On: 11



## **Mayoral Candidate**

**Roman Garcia** 



Age: 22 years old

**Education:** Current college student

Property Taxpayer: No Former Mayor: No Work History: IT consultant

# of Non-Profit Boards Served On: 1

Community Involvement: Herring has a long history of serving the Kerrville area & has received multiple community service awards, including the Bill Dozier Citizen of the Year in 2010. Garcia has very little non-profit involvement since high school & serves on the board of the Kerrville Little League.

Other Facts: Garcia had misleading information on his campaign website, stating he had a bachelor's degree. <u>He has since corrected it to reflect his college student status</u> after multiple media outlets reported on it & were unable to verify his education. He recently completed his freshman year.



## Place 3 Candidate

**Kent McKinney** 



Age: 72 years old Education: BS from the Univ of PA

Property Taxpayer: Yes
Council History: None to date
Work History: Retired banker who
served as chairman/CEO of 4 banks

# of Non-Profit Boards Served On: 7



## Place 3 Candidate

**Brent Bates** 



Age: 67 years old Education: Bachelor's from Texas A&M Property Taxpayer: Yes Council History: Ran for mayor unsuccessfully in 2022 Work History: Developer # of Non-Profit Boards Served On: 2

Community Involvement: McKinney has served on the boards of the Kerrville Economic Improvement Corp, Kerrville Public School Foundation, Dietert Center, Hill Country Arts Foundation & numerous others. Bates served on the board of the Hill Country Youth Ranch & helped found the Big Springs Charter School.

**Other Facts:** Bates is currently in conflict & <u>litigation with the City of Kerrville</u> regarding a building he constructed. Bates' business history is strewn with numerous liens, judgments & lawsuits over his local business practices.



### Place 4 Candidate

# Brenda Hughes



**Age:** 65 years old

**Education:** Studied criminal justice & business (did not pursue bachelor's)

Property Taxpayer: Yes Council History: 3.5 years on council,

currently serves as place 4

Work History: Small business owner for 31 years & former firefighter

# of Non-Profit Boards Served On: 5



### **Place 4 Candidate**

# Barbara Ferguson



Age: 65 years old

Education: Bachelor's in art &

psychology from Anderson Univ (IND)

Property Taxpayer: Yes Council History: Ran for council

unsuccessfully in 2023

Work History: Stay at home mom, training manager & developer # of Non-Profit Boards Served On: 0

Community Involvement: Hughes is a founding board member of Kerrville Pets Alive! & serves as the non-profit's VP. Hughes also serves on the board of Hill Country CASA, Playhouse 2000, Kerrville Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association & other civic boards & committees. Ferguson has not served on any local boards, but she did serve on the Public Safety Facility Committee & was the only committee person that would not sign off on project plans.



**Proven Community Service Protecting Quality of Life Promoting Conservative Values Qualified & Responsible Leadership** 



Joe Herring for Mayor **Kent McKinney for City Council Place 3** Re-Elect Brenda Hughes for City Council Place 4



Last day to apply for a ballot by mail



APRIL 22-30

Early voting dates for May local election



MAY 4

Election day (final day to vote in person)

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