



Commissioner Colm Willis

Colm Willis was elected to the Board of Commissioners in November 2018. He was re-elected in 2022. He served as the chair of the Board of Commissioners during two federally declared disasters: the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic and the 2020 Santiam Canyon Wildfires. Commissioner Willis represents Marion County on the Marion County Budget Committee, Marion County Housing Authority Board of Directors, and Marion County Extension & 4H Service District, among others. In addition, he serves the community as a board member of the of the Strategic Economic Development Corporation of the Mid-Willamette Valley (SEDCOR), Mid-Willamette Valley Homeless Alliance, Willamette Health Council Finance Committee, and leads the Marion County Housing Initiative.

Commissioner Willis' policy interests include economic development, housing, homelessness, health care, transportation, waste management, land use, and public safety.

Prior to being elected to the Marion County Board of Commissioners, Commissioner Willis served as an aide to the U.S. Senate Joint Economic Committee and represented small businesses, entrepreneurs, and nonprofits as a business attorney. He volunteers on the Catholic Community Services Foundation Board of Directors.

Commissioner Willis holds a Bachelor of Arts from Boston College and a Juris Doctor from the Willamette University College of Law. He lives in Stayton with his wife and children.