

How to cast your vote...

1 Complete your ballot

To vote, completely fill in the box next to your choice.

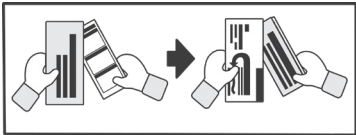


2 Check for errors

- You do not have to vote on all contests. Those you do vote on will still count.
- If you vote for more options than are allowed, your vote **will not count** for that contest.
- If you think you made a mistake, call the Marion County Elections Office.

3 Using the optional "Secrecy" sleeve

If you use the optional "Secrecy" sleeve, put only your voted ballot inside. Then, put only your "Secrecy" sleeve inside your return envelope.



You are not required to use the "Secrecy" sleeve.

4 Sign your return envelope

You must sign your return envelope or **your vote will not count.**

We verify every signature on every envelope against the voter files.



5 Return your ballot

- By mail
- At any official drop site (see list on this flyer)
- At the Clerk's/Elections Office

State Generated Random Alphabet

The State generates a random alphabet to determine the order of candidates for every election. Here is the one for this election...

1	W	8	H	15	N	22	J
2	B	9	E	16	U	23	F
3	C	10	L	17	X	24	G
4	P	11	M	18	S	25	K
5	D	12	I	19	V	26	T
6	A	13	R	20	Z		
7	Q	14	O	21	Y		

Official Marion County Ballot Drop Sites

The Marion County drop sites listed below will be open beginning November 27th.

On Election Day, December 17th, drop sites will remain open until 8:00 pm.

You DO NOT need to apply postage if you use an Official Marion County Drop Box or mail within the United States.

Marion County Clerk 555 Court St NE, Ste 2130 Salem	Indoor Drop Box Mon-Fri 8:30 am - 5 pm Election Day 7 am - 8 pm
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Gervais City Hall 592 4 th St, Gervais	Walk-up Drop Box 24 Hours
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Need help voting your ballot...?

If you need help marking your ballot, contact the Elections Office at (503) 588-5041.

Track Your Ballot

Sign up for updates about your Ballot from the Marion County Clerk

The Marion County Clerk is offering a program to voters in Marion County that allows them to track the status of their ballot through automated notifications.



Participating voters will have the option of receiving text, email, or voice alerts at several points on their ballot's journey.

If you have any questions about this service, please call the Marion County Clerk's Office at 503.588.5041.

Sign up today to begin receiving messages:
marioncountyclerk.ballottrax.net/voter

Voters' Pamphlet is Optional

Being included in the Voters' Pamphlet is optional to candidates. A candidate must file separately from their filing to run for office, by paying a fee and providing a statement to be included in the Voters' Pamphlet.

City of Gervais

County of Marion

VOTERS' PAMPHLET



O R E G O N

December 17, 2024 Emergency Election

Voted ballots for this election must be received in an Elections Office or an Official Oregon Ballot Drop Site by 8:00 pm, December 17, 2024, or Postmarked by December 17, 2024, and received by December 24, 2024.

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City of Gervais, Councilor - Position 1 4-Year Term



Abby Fernandez

Occupation: None

Occupational Background: Mother of 4 & former utility billing and court clerk for the city of Gervais for 4+ years.

Educational Background: Silverton High School, High School Diploma; Chemeketa, Medical office Manageme

Prior Governmental Experience: None

I'm Abby, former city clerk. I'm running to restore positivity and fair treatment at City Hall.
Soy Abby, ex secretaria de la ciudad. Me postulo para restaurar la positividad y el trato justo en el Ayuntamiento.

City of Gervais, Councilor - Position 2 4-Year Term



Petra Wright

Occupation: Homemaker

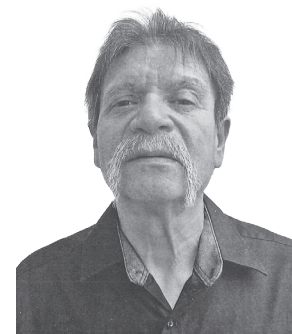
Occupational Background: 10yrs Merchandiser/ Supplier.; 1yr Front desk clerk

Educational Background: NorthMarion High School, Baisc Study, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: none

I, Petra Wright am running for Gervais city council because I want to help our community. I want to do this by fostering open dialogue about what is happening in the city. I want to rebuild trust through transparency and not hide anything. I want to focus on common goals that unite the community and not one-sided goals that don't unite community. I think that it is important to listen to everyone's concerns and work together to move forward positively in our community. I may not have year of experience in this field, but I'm willing to get the training and do what is need to feel this position in the best way for our small town.

City of Gervais, Councilor - Position 2 4-Year Term



Joel Ramon

Occupation: Retired Factory Electrician; City councilman Gervais

Occupational Background: Factory Electrician; Shop Supervisor

Educational Background: St Paul, General, Diploma; Electrical, Factory Electrician

Prior Governmental Experience: Have been appointed to the Gervais city council

Dear Gervais Residents,

I am asking for your vote to continue serving on the Gervais City Council. My wife, Silvia Ramon, and I have called Gervais home for 40 years. We raised our children here, and now our grandchildren are growing up in this wonderful community.

As a retiree, I want to give back to the city that has given so much to my family. My priorities include keeping the cost of living affordable and fostering unity by ensuring every resident's voice is heard. As a bilingual community member, I am committed to advocating for all and bridging communication gaps.

During my time on the City Council, I have focused on accountability and fiscal responsibility, ensuring our tax dollars are used wisely. I've also enjoyed contributing to events like the Christmas parade, city-wide cleanup, and Fourth of July celebration.

I am passionate about the future of Gervais and would love the opportunity to continue working for our community. I appreciate your support and your vote.

Sincerely,
Joel Ramon

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(This information furnished by Petra Wright and is printed exactly as submitted)

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(This information furnished by Joel Ramon and is printed exactly as submitted)

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City of Gervais, Councilor - Position 3 4-Year Term



Diana Barch

Occupation: Student Transportation Manager, contracted with Gervais School District

Occupational Background: Over 15 years experience working with children in various roles, including as a nanny and school bus driver; Youth Class Teacher and Camp Volunteer with the United Church of God;

Organizer of an annual silent auction to fund Good Works Programs.

Educational Background: None Relevant

Prior Governmental Experience: 2019-2020: Served on the Gervais Budget Committee; 2020-2022: Served on the Gervais City Council

As a proud resident of Gervais since 2017, I have been actively involved in our community and its progress. After attending city council meetings regularly, I sought ways to serve in times of need. During the 2020 ice storm, I developed and implemented a plan in partnership with the school district to provide warm meals to residents during the power outage. As a bus driver and advocate for the school bond, I've worked to keep our children safe and ensure their future.

I want to be your city councilor because I believe Gervais has the potential to thrive through informed decision-making and community input. My previous council experience has provided me with valuable knowledge in ethics, budgeting, and land use. I understand the importance of preparing for each meeting and making the best decisions for our community.

A healthy Gervais is built on **fairness** and **collaboration**. I recognize the growing influence of nearby cities like Woodburn and want to ensure Gervais is proactive in protecting its identity. I will also work to strengthen the bond between the City of Gervais and the Gervais School District, because together, we are small but mighty.

As your councilor, I will advocate for the following:
- Educating and empowering City Hall staff to better serve you
- Developing a city newsletter to keep residents informed
- Establishing clear goals that benefit our entire community

Let's grow together, not fail apart. I'm committed to making Gervais a stronger, more connected community for all.

(This information furnished by Diana Barch and is printed exactly as submitted)

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City of Gervais, Councilor - Position 4 2-Year Term



Jesse Geddes

Occupation: Substitute Teacher; Woodburn FC Soccer Coach

Occupational Background: Classroom Teacher; Store Manager

Educational Background: Oregon State University, Education, Masters; Portland State University, History, Bachelors

Prior Governmental Experience: None

My name is Jesse Geddes and I have been a resident of this city since 2022. In my time here, I have met a lot of really kind people, however, we have had some issues getting along with each other. We have seen factions created in our community that have been feuding with each other and those feuds have been distracting us from focusing on the needs of the community.

I am running to help move us forward. I believe that I am a bridge that can speak and listen to everyone and after hearing all sides, make an objective decision with the priorities of the community as the focus.

I have taught several of the communities' children through schools and also coach several of them through my coaching at Woodburn FC. Investing in our community and being a positive influence isn't something I take lightly and something I want to bring into this position.

My goal as a council member is to be someone everyone can speak to and who listens to different ideas. I will admit, I don't have all the solutions. My solutions are bound to listening to the people and trying to use that information to guide my decisions. Once those decisions are made, I also intend to be as transparent as possible as to the "why" of those decisions.

We have had two years of recalls and infighting. We don't need people who are going to continue that cycle. We need people who are going to bring peace to our community, listen to the public and move us forward. This is what I believe is important for Gervais and I know that is something I would do on council.

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City of Gervais, Councilor - Position 4 2-Year Term



Keith Gilland

Occupation: Retired Iron Worker; Volunteer Trustee at Eagles Lodge/ Current; Volunteer at the Gervais Food bank

Occupational Background: Iron worker Rodsman Foreman

Educational Background: Davis High School, General; Union Ironworker, Trades Rebar placing, Cables, Union shop

Prior Governmental Experience: Trustee at the Eagles Lodge in Woodburn; My family served in Gervais for many years

Dear Neighbors,

My name is Keith Gilland, and I'm excited to announce my candidacy for Gervais City Council, Position #4. As a retired Ironworker with 30 years of experience, I bring a strong work ethic and dedication to our community. My wife and I have proudly called Gervais home for nearly three decades, raising our son and niece in this wonderful town.

Over the years, I've been deeply involved in community service, including organizing Fourth of July and Christmas events, participating in citywide clean-ups, and volunteering at our local food bank. I've also been a regular attendee at City Council meetings for over four years, staying informed and engaged in the decisions that shape our future.

I believe in the power of community and the importance of working together to address our challenges. Fiscal responsibility and accountability are at the core of my platform — I want to ensure our tax dollars are used wisely to benefit all residents.

Together, we can build a stronger, more connected Gervais. I would be honored to have your support and your vote.

Sincerely,
Keith Gilland

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City of Gervais, Councilor - Position 5 2-Year Term



Tilda Flores

Occupation: Small Business Owner - Licensed Cosmetology and Hair Design

Occupational Background: Business Manager, Bookkeeper, Money Management, Marketing, and Customer Service

Educational Background: Phagan's School of Beauty, Cosmetology License;

Chemeketa Community College, General Studies Certificate; Oregon Human Development, Bookkeeping/Accounting Certificate; North Marion High School, General Studies Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: Years of attending and participating in City Council meetings; Former member of Student Body Council in my youth

My name is Tilda Flores, and I am passionate about making positive changes for the people of Gervais. As a bilingual resident, I aim to bridge the language barrier and ensure that everyone in our community feels heard and represented. My experience in business management, customer service, and finance has prepared me to be a strong advocate for taxpayers, working to keep Gervais an affordable, safe, and thriving place to live.

Your concerns are my priority, and I'm ready to listen and take action. Together, we can build a better future for our city.

Please vote for me, Tilda Flores, for City Council, Position #5.

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City of Gervais, Councilor - Position 5 2-Year Term



Audra Geddes

Occupation: Nintendo Representative (merchandiser)

Occupational Background: None

Educational Background: Estacada High School, General, Diploma

Prior Governmental Experience: None

Hello, my name is Audra Geddes. I am currently running for seat #5 of the Gervais City Council. Just to tell you a little about myself, I have lived here for almost 3 years and I have two young girls who love Gervais and are very active in playing sports and going to school with their neighbors. I have a history of working with communities both here and other places in Oregon as a Nintendo rep. Through this, I have built a lot of relationships with people and learned a lot about people and who they are.

The reason I am running is because I have become concerned about how much negativity there is lately in our community and there appears to be a lot of frustration. I've noticed a lot of people being unkind to each other and going out of their way to speak poorly of members of our community. This has led to two different recalls and the loss of multiple employees of the city. I believe that this needs to stop and we need to come together to improve our city.

If I were to be elected, I would use my experience with people to foster relationships and listen to our community. We need to move our city forward and we can do this by burying old disputes and working together. I would be someone that the community can talk to and be open to their ideas. I would also be someone who would be happy to continue supporting our community events and helping be a part of our continued growth.

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VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

To be eligible to vote in the December 17, 2024, Emergency Election, a completed voter registration card must be on file with the Marion County Clerk by no later than 5:00 pm, November 26, 2024.

YOU MAY REGISTER TO VOTE IF:

- You are a citizen of the United States
 - You are at least 16 years of age (you may vote if you will be 18 years of age or older on election day)
 - You are a resident of Oregon
- YOU MUST RE-REGISTER TO VOTE IF:**
- Your residence or mailing address changes
 - Your name changes
 - You wish to change party affiliation

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

When you receive your ballot packet in the mail, immediately examine it to make certain it is complete. It should contain the following items:

- A printed ballot on which you may vote
- A secrecy sleeve with instructions printed on it
- A pre-addressed ballot return envelope in which to return your ballot
- A Voters' Pamphlet

If any items are missing, contact the Marion County Clerk's Office at 503.588.5041, and a replacement ballot packet will be sent to you.

VOTING & CORRECTING YOUR BALLOT

If you make an error on your ballot, spoil it in any way, or lose it, you may obtain a replacement ballot by contacting the Marion County Clerk's Office at 503.588.5041.

RETURNING YOUR VOTED BALLOT

- Follow the instructions on the secrecy sleeve
- Fold your ballot along the pre-scored folds and insert it into the optional secrecy sleeve (if desired)
- Insert ballot (or ballot and secrecy sleeve) into the ballot return envelope
- SEAL the ballot return envelope, read and SIGN the statement on the back of the envelope
- Mail or place the return envelope in an Official Ballot Drop Box

Your ballot will not be counted if your ballot return envelope is not signed.