

# SOUTHPARK ASSOCIATION OF NEIGHBORHOODS

## DISTRICT 6 CANDIDATES

Below is information about the City Council candidates running for District 6. All four candidates welcome questions and are happy to meet with residents.

The Primary is Tuesday, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>. Early voting starts Thursday, Aug 24 through Saturday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> at the Hal Marshall building Uptown from 8-5 pm. There will also be an early voting site open in SouthPark beginning **Sept 5-9<sup>th</sup> at 2100 Rexford Rd (Rexford I)**. To find other early voting locations go to [www.mecknc.gov/BOE/pages/default.aspx](http://www.mecknc.gov/BOE/pages/default.aspx)

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### **Tariq Scott Bokhari R**

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#### **BIO:**

- 15-year resident of Charlotte
- Married 3 young children
- Served on several City Committees including the Business Advisory and Community Relations
- Served on several non-profit boards including NC Heroes Fun and Greater Enrichment Program
- Owner of a Finance and Technology company.
- Worked at Wachovia, Wells Fargo, GE, FIS Global
- Endorsements: Andy Dulin, Matthew Ridenhour, Richard Vinroot, Edwin Peacock, John Lassiter, Robert Pettinger, Pat McCrory

#### **KEY PLATFORM ELEMENTS:**

- Create higher paying jobs
- Expand infrastructure
- Safer neighborhoods

“I want to focus on the basics that make Charlotte great place to live and work rather than fighting national issues or fighting Raleigh. I will focus on good roads and infrastructure, safe streets, low taxes and common-sense approach to regulation that allows free market to thrive”

### **Sam Grundman D**

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#### **BIO:**

- Married
- Taught English in Korea
- Web developer
- Served on Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority

**KEY PLATFORM ELEMENTS:**

- Make Charlotte more affordable and financially sound.
- Create cost-effective transportation options to make commuting less stressful.
- Make SP more pedestrian friendly.

“Charlotte is growing fast and is becoming a truly global city. Charlotte needs a new leader with global experience to help the city grow in a smart and responsible manner to remain beautiful, safe, and attractive for all its citizens.

**Eric Laster R**

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**BIO:**

- 37-year resident of Charlotte
- Married 2 children, 4 grandchildren
- Active in many charities including Habitat, Pregnancy Resource Center, YWCA and YMCA.
- Member of Christ Lutheran Church
- CEO of Ediface, Inc.

**KEY PLATFORM ELEMENTS:**

- Build consensus around common sense results
- End partisan bickering and build bridges with state and local leaders
- Lower taxes and improve government efficiency
- Modernize infrastructure to fuel economic development
- Raise Police salaries and ensure they have resources to keep us safe
- Remove regulations that restrict businesses from creating jobs

As a business owner, I am not interested in building a political career. I am running to build a better Charlotte. If elected I will focus on core responsibilities: safety, modern infrastructure, economic development. I want to make sure our children and grandchildren can afford to live here and not worry about safety in their neighborhoods.

**Jeff Scott Libertarian**

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**BIO:**

- Married with 2 children
- Moved to Charlotte in 2011
- Worked for over 30 years in the IT, banking and financial sector including time as an economist with Federal Home Loan Bank
- Adjunct Scholar at the Mises Institute of Auburn, Alabama
- Chair of Mecklenburg Co. Libertarian Party
- Volunteers in CMS schools

**KEY PLATFORM ELEMENTS:**

- Build consensus and tri-partisan solutions
- Focus on Public Safety
- Public Safety reform with focus on violence and property crime
- Offer practical solutions to anxieties associated with rapid growth
- Apply common sense answers to re-harmonize the city

“As a newcomer family, I believe in Charlotte’s potential. Charlotte can be world class city with a distinctive approach to maintaining its quality of life. There is no reason that this city cannot be safe, dynamic, and prosperous. It must stay attractive to newcomers, and work constantly to stay fun and beautiful. Compared to many cities, Charlotte does many things right, and I believe in the City’s energy and ethics.