



From the Desks of
Councilmen Knode, Sellers, & Owensby
City of Overland

Dear residents of Ward 4,

Many residents have inquired of us, "What has been going on at City Hall?" Our new Mayor, Ann Purzner, has been attacked since she was sworn into office by the opposing groups she faced in the election under the direction of former City Attorney Robert Herman, who has billed the city hundreds of thousands of dollars. Mr. Herman, who brags about his connections in the media, has used the media in an attempt to discredit our Mayor. Yes this is the same attorney caught on tape offering a bribe to a former City Councilman. Herman, along with the former Mayor and his "old regime" allies have waged war on Mayor Purzner, because Mayor Purzner is working for the benefit of the residents which interferes with this group's hidden agenda.

This is the same group who among other things

- Eliminated the City Calendar.
- Reduced the senior citizens rebate from ½ to 1/3 for utilities.
- Embroiled the City in lawsuits, which directly enriched Mr. Herman at the expense of the residents' services, such as free trash pickup.
- Mismanaged City Hall funds.
- Closed the City Pool.
- Eliminated school-crossing guards.
- Went through a \$3.6 million surplus in eight years.
- Made the residents pay for trash pickup.

Mayor Purzner appointed a budget committee, and under her direction, the committee has attempted to begin restoring the services Overland residents once enjoyed. **This new balanced budget includes bringing back free trash pickup for the residents of Overland and includes resurfacing over 40 streets. Ann has kept her word to the people!** Both councilmen in Ward 4 have said that the residents do not want free trash pick up. Both Schneider and Corcoran said Ward 4 residents would prefer a bike trail instead of free trash pick up.

Mr. Herman's councilmen May, O'Connell, Corcoran and Schneider are blocking this balanced budget and they have successfully created a tremendous amount of negative publicity for our city. This group started trying to discredit Mayor Purzner before she was ever sworn in. They have refused to accept the fact that the Mayor won the election despite the fact they spent thousands of dollars backing her opponent. They have even openly stated that they don't care about the 17,000 residents of the City, their only concern has been for rewarding a few of their friends at City Hall with huge pay increase, making sure our chief is the highest paid in the area and seeing there are inflated expenditures for legal fees.

Ann Purzner was elected even though this group spent tens of thousands of dollars trying to defeat her. The first thing this group did was take her to court and demand a recount in which Mayor Purzner defeated them again.

Herman's group cannot accept the fact that Purzner won and this will potentially interfere with the financial interests of our City. Mayor Purzner is an honest and decent lady, a wonderful leader in the community, and she will never stop fighting for the people of Overland.

Ann needs all our support in order to effectively fight this clan's attempt to overthrow our city government.

Please tell Herman's group that you're tired of their failed policies and that you are intelligent enough to know that all they want to do is get back in control of the City, so that they can fleece the people and raise your taxes.

Our community is at stake, we can either progress forward under Mayor Purzner or go back to the same failed policies and watch our town collapse. Mayor Purzner has been taking the beating for you; it's time for you to stand up with Ann! We can assure you that she won't let you down.

Free trash pick up would save each household over \$186.00 a year. If you want free trash pick up, contact your Councilmen Mike Schneider at 427-3166 or Glenn Corcoran - phone disconnected.

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