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## CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE JEROME SIBAYAN'S CLIMATE CHANGE VISION FOR BEAVERTON

[Jerome Sibayan](#), candidate for Beaverton's City Council Position #1 in the May 18, 2021 Special Election, sees city government as the leader and driver for solutions posed by global climate change, "...the city government must set the example for wise, reasonable actions that **promote sustainable growth while improving resilience** for our City" explained Sibayan.

The climate is changing, acknowledges the candidate, and always has been, however now it is very different in terms of speed and intensity and the populations who are at greatest risk. According to Sibayan, "Climate change will negatively impact everyone on the planet and it will impact the poor the most. It is everyone's responsibility to reduce, reuse, and recycle as well as to mitigate the effects of climate change on our most vulnerable communities".

Sibayan is a strong supporter of the **City of Beaverton's 2019 Climate Action Plan**, and as a critical thinking City Councilor he would be a strong advocate for:

**Reducing the City's carbon footprint** "...by encouraging the City Manager to place solar panels on every City owned facility, as well as incentivizing the adoption of renewable energy sources by residential and business customers" explained the candidate.

**Safe and reliable drinking water** are also critical components of Sibayan's climate plan, particularly given his extensive experience as a civil engineer and member of Beaverton's Community Emergency Response Team. "Water supply must be seen as one important step in a detailed process," he explained, adding "...we must be more creative than simply building seismically vulnerable storage facilities and pipelines such as the Cooper Mountain Reservoir".

As a former public works director, Jerome understands the importance of combining visionary thinking with solid engineering planning and design. As such, he will push for **adopting a viable, city-wide Master Plan** that reflects a sustainable vision of future growth. “The City’s Vision Action Plan and the Comprehensive Plan are a great start, but the people of Beaverton deserve a detailed Master Plan,” according to Sibayan. “My focus is on improving livability through pedestrian and bicycle friendly connections to cultural, commercial, and green space zones” he added.

Jerome Sibayan is proud to be endorsed by a wide variety of Beaverton residents, including: **Laura Mitchell**, Beaverton Council President; **Allison Tivnon**, Beaverton City Council; **Denny Doyle**, former Mayor of Beaverton; **Cate Arnold**, former Beaverton City Councilor and Mayoral candidate; The **Beaverton Police Association**, **Sheriff Pat Garrett**, Washington County; **Teresa Payne**, community member; **Renu Kamath**, volunteer resident; **Matt Casteel**, Principal, Aloha High School; **Bonnie Aman**, Ickabod’s Bar & Grill; **Donna Tyner**, Beaverton School Board; **Eric Simpson**, Beaverton School Board. Click for the full list [here](#).

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