

yes!

- on -

King County Charter Amendment

#8

✓ *More Competition*

Incumbent funding

Challenger funding

\$888,000

\$34,000



✓ **Fact:** In 2007, partisan incumbents out-fundraised their challengers **26 to 1**.

Charter Amendment #8 would make the offices of King County Executive, Assessor, and Council non-partisan; attracting greater competition in elections while making local government **accountable to the people**, not political parties.

“County Council elections are notorious for being non-events. Few challengers show up, and when they do, they rarely win...”

—*The Seattle Times*
August 8, 2008

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✓ *More Choice*

KING COUNTY BALLOT

- COUNCIL POSITION 1
Incumbent Smith (unopposed)
- COUNCIL POSITION 2
Incumbent Jones (unopposed)
- COUNCIL POSITION 3
Incumbent Davis (unopposed)

✓ **Fact:** Since 2001, eight King County councilmembers have run unopposed.

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Endorsed by:

“Local elections are about independent choices based on a candidate’s qualifications, not party labels...”

—Former Democratic Governor **Booth Gardner**
& former Republican Governor **Dan Evans**



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“ [King County] voters rightly are disgusted with the partisan gridlock... ”
—*Seattle Post Intelligencer*
August 8, 2008

“ Just as our cities work fine without the partisan bickering of the office holders, so, too, will King County. ”
— *Reporter Papers*
August 18, 2008

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