

DTSinIdaho's analysis of Coeur d'Alene mayor/council candidates for 2013 election:

It is way too early in the election cycle to really make any comparisons. The very vocal minority that support the anti-progress and anti-growth platform have been able to push their agenda through the School boards. The last election brought out a larger voter response that definitely swung the Cd'A board back to a more reasonable group of individuals, with just two KKRR's left on the board.

As a candidate you have until 9 Fridays before the election to put in your paperwork. I think many will be waiting till just before that deadline to see who is put out front by the group of JUST SAY NO!!.

However, the moderate's that want to run need to be understanding that you don't want two moderates running against one of the handpicked anti-everything persons. Don't split the vote. I just wish that all of Coeur d'Alene was represented.

We have Woody, a businessman. Handles all of the Cd'A Video stuff.

Gookin: A good guy overall, fun to chat with, intelligent. Just has this nasty obsession over the LCDC that I cannot fathom. He kind of represents the "Ron Paul" crowd.

Adams: A wasted seat. I wish he would do something instead of just saying NO. Dang it Steve.. you ran on a very Ideological platform, but you WON.. now do SOMETHING... Quit listening to the doomsayers and conspiracists. I know you a a long timer... think about HERE.. not Washington DC.

Ron Edinger: DAD.... grouchy, noisy, takes forever to say a sentence, but I think he does represent a very large portion of Cd'A. I do consider Ron a moderate.

Those Running.

Amber Copeland: Friend. She represents a very UNDER represented LARGE population of Cd'A. Like all of the single women raising Kids on there own, with little or no support from the "dad(s)" She would bring a NON- BUSINESS prospective to the council, and I think would shake some things up. I think she would be a good council person. Someone that Coeur d'Alene needs to watch out for the disabled, and unfortunates and not just the profit and greed of the Republican Party.

Kiki Miller. Good person. Lots of experience, would not be a creator of controversy. Kinda Vanilla. A good vote.

Amy Evans: A lot of experience. Would rather SHE ran for mayor tho.

Mayor:

Souza: In so many ways NO. We cannot afford her petty pity party politics to overwhelm the city. She has proven her inability to work within a government body, and would create Chaos.

Widmeyer: Good guy I knew growing up in Cd'A. Some of my friends are definitely NOT supporters of him, more because of his personal style rather than what he supports. Still the best choice for those that have been announced. Yes he was upper management for Duane Hagadone, basically the only millionaire that has EVER done anything for Coeur d'Alene that brings a lot of GOOD publicity. Yes, his business has been enhanced in the Education Corridor

The Mysterious K man.... who knows.

Brannon.. good guy.. no chance.. his temper tantrums after the Kennedy election left him no chance in Cd'A politics for years. He needs to slide back into the committee world and rebuild his reputation. But then again he splits some of the moderate Republican vote away from the far far right stance of the Souza crowd. He might make it as a Council person.. maybe...

There will be more to enter, and probably some to leave the races.. it is going to be a fun election cycle.