

VOTER GUIDE – AUGUST PRIMARY ELECTION
COUNTY COMMISSIONER – DISTRICT 16

Tuesday, August 7, 2018
POLLS ARE OPEN 7:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.

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You may VOTE in ONLY ONE PARTY'S PRIMARY - either Republican or Democratic – for ALL partisan offices on ballot.
Note: Candidates are ordered within each office by party with Republicans preceding Democrats.

3 Candidates for COUNTY COMMISSIONER for ONE 2-year term

1 Republican and 2 Democrats are running for this office in District 16

<u>CANDIDATES for COUNTY COMMISSION</u>	<u>Question 1 (150 Words or less):</u> Provide biographical information and explain why you are running for County Commissioner and relevant qualities and skills you would bring to the position.	<u>Question 2 (150 Words or less):</u> What are the top 3 Priority Issues that the County Commission should address and what actions would you, as a commissioner, take regarding each of them?
<p>ONE 2-year term <i>Vote for no more than ONE</i></p> <p>Republican WADE FLEMING 3820 Victoria Dr. Troy, MI 48083</p>	<p>My wife Paula, and I raised our family in Troy for 36 years. We believe strongly in public service. I am currently in my 4th year as County Commissioner and Paula serves on the Troy School Board. I earned a BBA as an Accounting Major with 35 years in corporate management ending when I retired from my career as President/CEO of a tier 1 automotive supplier. During my 9 years on the Troy City Council and 4 years as Commissioner, I have focused on solutions to real problems and been a voice for all regardless of partisan background. My pledge to you is to be available and willing to listen for all citizens in Troy, Clawson and Royal Oak. I will use the experience I have gained in government, business and community service to make sure we get our fair share of road dollars, provide excellent services and create jobs. I currently serve on the General Govt. and Finance Committees, and Chair the Local Road Improvement, School Drinking Water Station and CZC Committees for the County.</p>	<p>Road Improvements: I will continue to work to improve the quality, timing and efficiency of our road construction. Oakland County must get our fair share of state and federal road funds. Let's fix existing roads before spending on new ones.</p> <p>Retain and Attract Business; As your Commissioner, I have put my business background to work to attract jobs to Troy, Clawson and Oakland County. With our excellent, safe quality of life, available properties and an aggressive strategy for emerging markets, we can attract new businesses and the professional/ Skilled workers of the future.</p> <p>Responsible Budgets: I will continue to work for a fiscally responsible county government and insist on a balanced budget plan 3 years in advance. A low county tax rate retains residents and businesses. Savings allow us to deal with crisis situations and unknowns, such as the possible Detroit Water and Sewer Department rate increases and any other unfunded mandates from the state and federal government.</p>

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<p><i>Democrat</i> PENNY LUEBS 639 Hendrickson Clawson, MI 48017</p>	<p>Mayor, City of Clawson, 2007-2017 Council, City of Clawson 2003-2007 Zoning Board, City of Clawson 2002-2003 Clawson Youth Assistance Chair, 2005 – present 4th of July Committee Member, 2005 - present Boy Scout Committee, Secretary, 2012 - present Optimist Club Member, 2012 - present Clawson Community Coalition, 2015 - present First Presbyterian Church of Troy member, 1980 - present Licensed Master Level Social Worker at Easter Seals Mother of five children, grandmother of nine</p> <p>As a public servant, my goal has always been to improve life for youth, families and seniors. Local government has an immediate effect on lives because of decisions made, from budgets to parks to sign ordinances. We need to make smart choices to ensure safe communities and services.</p>	<p>Issues: Fix our roads, restore trust in local government, maintain safe, family friendly cities with great services and events that make our communities a desirable place to live, work and play.</p> <p>Actions: Prioritize funding for infrastructure, be available and responsive to residents and businesses, collaborate to continue family friendly events.</p>

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<p>Democrat CHARLES SALGAT 2651 Winter Dr. Troy, MI 48083</p>	<p>I am a 42 year resident of Troy and a 44 year resident of Oakland County. I have been active in a number of Community boards over the years. I am a former member of the City of Troy Board of Canvassers, I am a member of the Troy Economic Development Corporation and the City of Troy Brownfield Redevelopment Authority and as needed serve on the City of Troy Historic District Study Committee. I am currently a Trustee on the Troy Democratic Club. I have run as the Democratic Candidate for this seat in 1980, 1982, 1986, 1988 and 2016. Although opposed in this year's primary, I believe that I am the only true Democrat running for the nomination in the 16th District. As such I have told my fellow Democrats that I refuse to debate a Republican for the Democratic nomination. In addition to the above mentioned committees, I was a youth baseball coach, having teams in the Troy Baseball Boosters, the MABF, the NOBF and the CYO. I have also served as a member of Selective Service Board since 2001.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Although not a direct responsibility of the Board, I would urge the Oakland County Board to work with boards in all counties to get the Enbridge #5 pipeline under the Mackinac Bridge shut down immediately.. If that line fails, millions of people will have their drinking water affected and it could create a crisis of unimaginable proportions. I pushed for this in 2016 and the line is still open but more people are aware of the potential problems. 2. The maintenance, improvement and possible expansion of the County Parks and the protection of the resources within. Take a good thing and make it better. 3. Work for the development of a modern and effective mass transit system through out the Metro area. All major cities in the United States and the developed world have mass transit systems linking subways, trains, trolleys, buses, roads, etc. We need to get our home into that class.

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