



Encourage and Equip Citizens to Vote

Candidate Forum Scheduled for Montgomery

City Council Position Races

The Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce (Chamber) and the Voter Awareness Council (VAC) are pleased to announce that they are co-hosting a non-partisan, unbiased candidate forum on Thursday, April 8, 2021, 7:00 pm at the Lone Star Community Center building located at 2500 Lone Star Pkwy in Montgomery.

Place 1 incumbent Carol Langley and candidate Jenny Stewart, **Place 3** incumbent TJ Wilkerson and candidate John Champagne, Jr.; and **Place 5** incumbent Tom Cronin and candidate Byron Sanford have all been invited. Early voting will begin April 19. Election Day is May 1. Chamber and VAC officials will be co-hosting and introducing the session but will have no role in the actual forum.

Anna Lotz, Editor of the *Community Impact Newspaper* – Conroe / Montgomery Edition will act as forum moderator. Anna will use questions based on the media's overall awareness of Montgomery area issues, questions submitted to her from anyone prior to the session via email at info@montgomeryareachamber.com, and written questions submitted by the audience during the early stages of the forum.

Candidates will make opening and closing remarks, answer questions in a round robin question format, and have the opportunity to comment on all questions. Reasonable time constraints will apply throughout the session.

"After our very successful forums the past several years, we are pleased to once again be working with the Voter Awareness Council on this opportunity for our residents to gain first-hand information and input from candidates for their City Council positions" says Chamber Director Shannan Reid. "We also very much appreciate *Community Impact Newspaper* working with us to ensure that this will be an unbiased forum for our residents to aid them in reaching their own voting decisions" adds Ms. Reid.

VAC is a local non-profit corporation established by a number of Montgomery County residents designed to help encourage and equip citizens to vote. Totally non-partisan and unbiased, VAC's mission is to inform and educate citizens on our local elections, improve the overall voting experience and to increase voter turnout. See www.vactx.org for more information.

Questions about this forum can be directed to Shannan Reid at info@montgomeryareachamber.com or VAC President Steve Leakey at spleakey@yahoo.com.