

My name is Maggie Hernandez and I'm proud to announce my candidacy for the Elm Ridge Water Control and Improvement District Board of Directors. I have been a member of the Elm Ridge Board of Directors since May, 2020 and currently serve as the board Secretary. I believe my professional experience helped prepare me well for the role. I apply my commitment to serving the community, reasonable decision making, and professional ethics to this position at all times; always keeping in mind the needs and best interests of the citizens in each community, not just my own. I'm always happy to listen to and address the needs and concerns of the citizens.



During my time on the board, I have consistently voted to reduce the property tax rate each year, and to increase the tax exemption for citizens over the age of 65 twice. I also approved the Arrowbrooke Park concession stand, Prosper Fire Plan for Artesia, Artesia water line, supported the Elm Ridge police department, and various other projects. I focus on long term solutions and planning for the entire district, whenever possible. I believe in responsible spending and planning in order to keep taxes reasonably low. As a result of my and the board's budget management, the district has achieved an excellent A2 credit rating that appeals to investors during bond sales, attracting competitive interest rates. In addition, I serve on the district's Communications and Facilities committees, helping to improve overall transparency.

I grew up in the Carrollton area and am a University of North Texas graduate. My family and I have owned a home in Savannah since 2013, and owned in Denton for 8 years prior. I've seen some considerable growth in our area during these years! I have been married to my husband, Fabian, for 20 years. I am the proud mother of 2 daughters and have 2 beloved dogs. My oldest, Autumn, was among the first graduating class of Braswell High School, is now a Texas A&M graduate and currently a 2nd grade teacher at Windsong Ranch Elementary School. And 17 year old Emma is in 11th grade, currently homeschooled, and has aspirations of moving to New York to pursue a career in costume design or film after graduating. In the little free time I have, I enjoy traveling, live music, cooking, dancing, yoga, home improvement, and overall wellness.

My professional experience is primarily in the real estate industry. I have been a Realtor for many years, earning the Rookie of the Year award during my first year. My current focus is mostly working with residential home builders. I also have experience in property management, commercial real estate, marketing, retail, and consulting. In addition to my professional career, I believe strongly in giving back. I am a member of the Denton County Medical Reserve Corp and volunteered to work numerous shifts during the COVID pandemic at Denton County's drive-through COVID testing and vaccine clinics, including the Texas Motor Speedway clinic. I have also served as a member of my previous HOA's architectural control board and several PTAs and Booster Club boards within Denton ISD. I was the first President of the Braswell High School Cheer Booster Club and wrote the club's bylaws when the school opened.

I would be honored to earn your vote for the Elm Ridge Water Control and Improvement District Board of Directors and to continue to serve the community for the next 4 years.