

Lakeside City

Measure No: 6-50R

Caption: Reason for demanding recall of Sherry Kinsey, City of Lakeside Mayor, as provided on recall petition:

Summary: Sherry Kinsey has demonstrated a lack of transparency, dereliction of duties, being fiscally irresponsible and showing poor leadership by:

Paying \$274,000 for property on 8<sup>th</sup> Street with no stated plan or dedicated use. Proposing a tax base without a defined amount or designating a purpose other than "the betterment of our community." Willing to sign a \$15,000 open-ended contract with a PR firm to promote this tax base. Spending \$23,250 rebranding the City's logo without citizens input. Awarding numerous contracts over \$5,000 without competitive bidding in violation of our City Charter. Not instructing City Manager to investigate and resolve nuisance complaints. Not following the City Charter because it was "outdated" and had "male pronouns." Relinquishing powers granted them, to City Manager, in violation of City Charter. Demoting Dennis Langley as Public Works Director then giving his title to the Wastewater Superintendent along with a \$5,000 raise. Ignoring the will of the people by rewriting the ATV ordinance and expanding the route contrary to measure 6-198. Willing to sell the \$105,000 new tractor currently used to mow the airport by City employees, to instead paying a business \$9,250 per year for mowing. Keeping City Hall closed after 12:00 on Fridays.

**Statement of Justification as provided by Sherry Kinsey:**

This recall is costing the city close to \$20,000. Since there is no quorum left, the city will also pay \$15K - \$20K for a special election. Please vote NO.

In November of 2022 I was elected to the position of mayor by a vote of the citizens of Lakeside. This recall is based on false accusations and information.

"Not instructing the City Manager to investigate and resolve nuisance complaints" Our ordinances are outdated. The nuisance ordinance was amended, but never codified.

"Demoting Dennis Langley as Public Works Director, then giving his title to the Wastewater Superintendent..."

Dennis was never demoted. The organizational chart has him answer to the public works supervisor instead of a clerical supervisor. He still holds his title and wage.

"Paying \$274,000 plus expenses for property located at 105 S. 8<sup>th</sup> Street with no stated plan or dedicated use..."

Investing in the cities future by purchasing a prime commercial lot, which we can sell, or lease to a retail business thereby bringing tourism to our town.

"Spending \$23,250 rebranding the City's with little citizens input (approved handout says "without"). We did get citizen's and business input. Citizens were chosen and replied to the survey.

**Question: Do you vote to recall Sherry Kinsey from the office of City of Lakeside Mayor?**

Lakeside City

Measure No: 6-51R

Caption: Reason for demanding recall of Karen Hurn, City of Lakeside City Councilor, as provided on recall petition:

Summary: Karen Hurn has demonstrated a lack of transparency, dereliction of duties, being fiscally irresponsible and showing poor leadership by:

Paying \$274,000 for property on 8<sup>th</sup> Street with no stated plan or dedicated use. Proposing a tax base without a defined amount or designating a purpose other than "the betterment of our community." Willing to sign a \$15,000 open-ended contract with a PR firm to promote this tax base. Spending \$23,250 rebranding the City's logo without citizens input. Awarding numerous contracts over \$5,000 without competitive bidding in violation of our City Charter. Not instructing City Manager to investigate and resolve nuisance complaints. Not following the City Charter because it was "outdated" and had "male pronouns." Relinquishing powers granted them, to City Manager, in violation of City Charter. Demoting Dennis Langley as Public Works Director then giving his title to the Wastewater Superintendent along with a \$5,000 raise. Ignoring the will of the people by rewriting the ATV ordinance and expanding the route contrary to measure 6-198. Willing to sell the \$105,000 new tractor currently used to mow the airport by City employees, to instead paying a business \$9,250 per year for mowing. Keeping City Hall closed after 12:00 on Fridays.

**Statement of Justification as provided by Karen Hurn:**

This recall is not about the items mentioned in the recall petition. All those are the opinions of Mrs. Armstrong and her group and are false and can be proved so.

The real purpose of this recall is to try to return Lakeside to a sleepy town, barely existing on revenue from the state and the occasional grant money.

However, this is the year 2023.

The present Mayor and Council, with the help of a very knowledgeable city manager, are trying to bring the city government up to standard.

Previous Lakeside councils have let things slide, or not fully completed the paperwork needed to comply with county/state/federal law.

That's the way it was done back then, but now in the age of modern technology, it is harder to hide such transgressions.

There are no "big" businesses in town that we can get money from, just the mom/pop businesses that are barely surviving on their own.

The tourist trade and businesses to support it are vital to the city.

For that to happen, Lakeside needs to have an updated city charter, an updated comprehensive plan, have clear ordinances that have been codified, and other such improvements in the very near future.

**Question: Do you vote to recall Karen Hurn from the office of City of Lakeside City Councilor?**

Lakeside City

Measure No: 6-52R

Caption: Reason for demanding recall of Kimberly Ritter, City of Lakeside City Councilor, as provided on recall petition:

Summary: Kimberly Ritter has demonstrated a lack of transparency, dereliction of duties, being fiscally irresponsible and showing poor leadership by:

Paying \$274,000 for property on 8<sup>th</sup> Street with no stated plan or dedicated use. Proposing a tax base without a defined amount or designating a purpose other than "the betterment of our community." Willing to sign a \$15,000 open-ended contract with a PR firm to promote this tax base. Spending \$23,250 rebranding the City's logo without citizens input. Awarding numerous contracts over \$5,000 without competitive bidding in violation of our City Charter. Not instructing City Manager to investigate and resolve nuisance complaints. Not following the City Charter because it was "outdated" and had "male pronouns." Relinquishing powers granted them, to City Manager, in violation of City Charter. Demoting Dennis Langley as Public Works Director then giving his title to the Wastewater Superintendent along with a \$5,000 raise. Ignoring the will of the people by rewriting the ATV ordinance and expanding the route contrary to measure 6-198. Willing to sell the \$105,000 new tractor currently used to mow the airport by City employees, to instead paying a business \$9,250 per year for mowing. Keeping City Hall closed after 12:00 on Fridays.

**Statement of Justification as provided by Kimberly Ritter:**

Thank you for taking the time to vote.

In February 2023 I was appointed to the Lakeside City Council, bringing my 15+ years Senior Federal Auditor experience, which included maintaining a Secret Security Clearance. This Recall will cost the City approximately \$15,000. Please take the time to review both sides of the Reasons in the Petition, several of which I clarify below:

Recall Reason #4 - Rebranding done without Citizen input.

FALSE Statement: Numerous citizens and local business participated in the process, including Online Polls.

Recall Reason #9 - City Employee Dennis Langley demoted.

FALSE Statement: Lakeside's 2024 Approved Budget Organization Chart clearly shows that ONLY Dennis' Direct Supervisor was changed, from the City Manager to the Public Works Supervisor, with NO loss in pay.

Recall Reason #10 - ATV Ordinance rewritten contrary to Measure 6-198.

FALSE Statement: Lakeside's City Attorney reviewed all pertinent changes to the ATV Ordinance and found NO changes to Measure 6-198.

Filing a Recall Petition based on Proven FALSE statements calls into question the validity of this Recall Petition.

I place a high value on the truth and I hope that you will allow me to continue to serve all Lakeside's Citizens

**Question: Do you vote to recall Kimberly Ritter from the office of City of Lakeside City Councilor?**

Lakeside City

Measure No: 6-53R

Caption: Reason for demanding recall of Jaci Smith, City of Lakeside City Councilor, as provided on recall petition:

Summary: Jaci Smith has demonstrated a lack of transparency, dereliction of duties, being fiscally irresponsible and showing poor leadership by:

Paying \$274,000 for property on 8<sup>th</sup> Street with no stated plan or dedicated use. Proposing a tax base without a defined amount or designating a purpose other than "the betterment of our community." Willing to sign a \$15,000 open-ended contract with a PR firm to promote this tax base. Spending \$23,250 rebranding the City's logo without citizens input. Awarding numerous contracts over \$5,000 without competitive bidding in violation of our City Charter. Not instructing City Manager to investigate and resolve nuisance complaints. Not following the City Charter because it was "outdated" and had "male pronouns." Relinquishing powers granted them, to City Manager, in violation of City Charter. Demoting Dennis Langley as Public Works Director then giving his title to the Wastewater Superintendent along with a \$5,000 raise. Ignoring the will of the people by rewriting the ATV ordinance and expanding the route contrary to measure 6-198. Willing to sell the \$105,000 new tractor currently used to mow the airport by City employees, to instead paying a business \$9,250 per year for mowing. Keeping City Hall closed after 12:00 on Fridays.

**Statement of Justification as provided by Jaci Smith:**

- 1) I voted NO for the purchase of property on 8<sup>th</sup> Street
- 2) I was NOT a councilor when the Rebranding was voted on.
- 3) City Attorney's letter states, changes made to ATV Route and Ordinance was done legally.
- 4) Hiring Peerless Property Services LLC to mow airport is saving the city money.
- 5) City Hall open until noon, saves the city over \$500 a month.
- 6) Demotion of Dennis Langley. No proof of allegation.
- 7) I have no power to relinquish to city manager.
- 8) Not following charter is the opinion of the chief petitioner, no proof of allegation.
- 9) Awarding numerous contracts over \$5,000. No proof of this allegation.
- 10) Superintendent's raise was voted on by budget committee and council
- 11) Tractor is not sold.
- 12) Willing to sign a open-ended contract, no proof of allegation, and is the chief petitioners opinion.
- 13) Tax base for the betterment of the community is the opinion of the chief petitioner
- 14) ALL accusations against me are false and, opinion of chief petitioner.
- 15) Special election will cost city \$15,000 - \$30,000.

**Question: Do you vote to recall Jaci Smith from the office of City of Lakeside City Councilor?**

Contest Total:

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