

# League of Women Voters - Hill Country Texas

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## Voter Guide for the 2020 Election: Boerne City Council District 3

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### **Boerne City Council District 3: term of office is 2 years**

Boerne is a home-rule city with a charter and a city council/manager form of government.

Duties: appoint the city manager; oversee the city manager and the direction of the city; approve the city budget and the tax rate; set salaries and benefits of city employees; pass ordinances and resolutions; appoint members to advisory boards.

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#### 1. What experience and knowledge qualifies you to serve on the Boerne City Council?

Scott: My most relevant experience started in May of 2019 when I was elected as the District 3 representative for Boerne City Council. My term thus far has been quite an education. There are few things that can adequately prepare you for public service. Council service requires constant learning and communicating with the community to make the hard decisions. Managing priorities and working with the staff is key to being a successful council representative. My favorite activities have been talking with community members and business owners about Boerne and the needs of our community.

Weis: First, I know that the City Council, City Manager and City Staff work for you and not because of you, the Citizens of Boerne. I bring over, thirty-five plus years of leadership and complex decision-making that allows me to work the challenges Boerne faces today and in the future. In addition to the many years of executing of decision making, managing of programs and mitigating risk, I have had the privilege to educate other leaders on the same. I graduated the Army's version of mayor/ city manager school. I am ethical and have no personal or business agenda.

#### 2. Why do you want to serve on the Boerne city Council for this upcoming term?

Scott: In the upcoming term, I want to build on my experience and make progress on three main issues. Transportation: future movement in and around Boerne requires infrastructure. Boerne needs to reimagine our transportation to include a roundabout and more sidewalks. Pool & Splash Pad: the Parks Master Plan set out priorities that included these projects, but they have received little attention. I want to work with community partners and bring both of these projects to reality. Taxes: I want to keep taxes low and limit increases to specific infrastructure and master plan priorities.

Weis: Sheri (my wife) and I found our forever home in Boerne over 10 years ago because of Boerne's Hill Country Charm, friendly neighbors and small town feel. Boerne City Council is still missing Boerne's voice. I believe that I can hear Boerne's voice, facilitate more resident involvement and represent their intent. The citizens of Boerne should always be in the council's thoughts when decisions are made on the residents behalf. Boerne needs to hear the citizens' thoughts on what Boerne means to them and where Boerne should go. My pledge to Boerne, District 3, Your Boerne, Your Voice.



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# 3. What is the most pressing issue facing the Boerne City Council and what do you hope/plan to do about it?

Scott: Transportation is the most pressing issue in Boerne. With development all around and with more emphasis on infill development, we need to develop the road infrastructure of our future NOW. The intersection at Adler Rd, North School St, & Main St is just one example of an urgent need. Another would be where Old San Antonio Rd and Cascade Caverns Rd meet. As the Mayor's transportation committee brings their findings back to the council, I want to work to get these projects done. In addition, we need to accelerate our sidewalk construction and improve the walkability of the city.

Weis: The council is moving in a good direction. Losing touch with the residents is always my concern. Communication we need to keep in touch with all stakeholders at all levels, even if there is no crisis. We do not question the plan because it is written. If a plan says do X does not mean it is right to do so. The council, committees and commissioners still need to ask themselves if it is the right to do for our residents, right now. Even after it is voted on and signed it is still a plan, master plan or otherwise.

#### 4. What are the residents of District 3 telling you about local problems, needs, or opportunities?

Scott: District 3 residents tell me three main things. First, they love Boerne and want to protect it from runaway development but see the transportation needs of today. Second, they want to see more park improvements like the pool with YMCA Partnership and a downtown splash pad. Third, I hear a lot of positive comments from the two communities (Woods of Fredericks Creek & Villas at Hampton Cove) that have been connected to the downtown trails with the recent sidewalk projects. However, we have more work to do. I want to see sidewalks down School Street and around the Middle School.

Weis: Covid 19, restrictions, getting back to daily routines are at the forefront. Most understand that Boerne is not setting restrictions and are only reinforcing a higher governments decision but residents would rather see rule enforcement at Parks not closures. Residents are questioning if we are on water restrictions, why are apartments are still being built. Besides road construction and growth, the last comment appreciated new side walks but they are unusable. Examples mentioned were; they are narrow, not built right by driveways and there are mailboxes in the middle of them. We believe Boerne is a great place to live.

### Early Voting at two locations: Tuesday, October 13 through Friday, October 30

Kendall County Courthouse Annex Boerne City Hall 221 Fawn Valley Drive447 North Main StreetBoerne

Check the Kendall County Election Department website (see below) for times which vary.

## Election Day: Tuesday - November 3 Locations open 7:00am to 7:00pm

A citizen who is registered to vote in Kendall County can vote at one of eleven locations. Check the Kendall County Election Department website (see below) for list of locations.

Sample ballots and other information from the Kendall County Election Department: posted online: https://www.co.kendall.tx.us/page/Elections

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