

From the Desk of

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Dear Neighbor,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. It has been a pleasure serving you the past sixteen years, first on Wheat Ridge City Council, and now as your Mayor. Over the years I have had the pleasure of working with many of you on issues at City Council meetings, neighborhood meetings or talking to you via phone or email. I have also created a website (see above) to help me communicate with residents and businesses. Additionally, we have created a monthly newsletter called Mayor's Matters. Please email me if you would like to receive the newsletter via email.

The budget has become a real balancing act due to the economic downturn throughout our nation. It is a difficult process to encourage economic growth while trying to protect our neighborhoods and the unique quality of life that Wheat Ridge citizens enjoy. A majority of City Council and I have strived to make sure that your tax dollars are spent wisely for superior police protection, community planning/development, street maintenance and parks and recreation. Wheat Ridge needs to be a destination City for people to live, work and play. We are working towards that goal.

The Wheat Ridge Housing Authority (WRHA) and the Wheat Ridge Business District (WRBD) continue to support our community through the rehabilitation of residential properties and grants to local businesses for signage and facade improvements. Both committees consist of dedicated volunteers who operate on very little overhead. They are working to move Wheat Ridge forward.

Certified Public Account (CPA) and local business owner Dick Matthews is one of those dedicated volunteers. Dick Matthews currently is a volunteer treasurer for the Wheat Ridge Rotary, the WRBD, and also serves on the Wheat Ridge Planning Commission. Dick is now a candidate for our **City Treasurer**. Dick Matthews understands the financial and planning issues Wheat Ridge is facing and his background and experience would be a valuable asset for Wheat Ridge. If elected, Dick Matthews will hit the ground running for our City. On the reverse side is a letter from him to the residents of Wheat Ridge. I strongly encourage you to cast your vote for **J. Richard "Dick" Matthews** for **City Treasurer** this election. Dick Matthews is the only candidate with the proven experience and background to get the job done for our City.

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J. Richard “Dick” Matthews Wheat Ridge City Treasurer



I would like to introduce myself as a candidate for your Wheat Ridge City Treasurer. I have been active in the community for many years but this is the first time I have sought elected office. If elected I will serve you, and then return to the private sector. The City Treasurer position is the final advancement in my professional financial career and is not a stepping stone to future elected positions.

There are several ways that my training and experience will benefit the City. Accounting and financial reporting is a process. Having worked as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) for over 30 years, I know many different ways to process financial data and I have the proper professional judgment to choose which technique to use. I will regularly update the taxpayers and the City Council on the financial health of our City. City Council needs clear and concise financial information while they make decisions that affect the future of our City. I have the experience and training to anticipate what information will help them.

The following is a brief summary of my qualifications:

- Certified Public Accountant (CPA) for more than 30 years
- Wheat Ridge CPA practice since 1981
- Master of Business Administration in Finance with high honors
- Bachelor of Science in Economics from Colorado State University
- Past Chair of the Colorado Society of CPAs State Tax Committee
- Volunteer Treasurer for the Wheat Ridge Rotary Club since 2000
- Volunteer Treasurer for the Wheat Ridge Business District
- Member of the Wheat Ridge Planning Commission
- Army Veteran

It is your money. I am the only candidate who is qualified and licensed to audit financial statements and provide detailed financial information. Who better to look out for your tax dollars?

Election Day is November 1, 2011. Many calendars have the election incorrectly listed as November 8, 2011. This election is by mail ballot only. I would appreciate your vote by November 1st!

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Integrity and Experience Count!