CRITICAL ELECTION — WHAT'S AT STAKE?

Dear Neighbors,

I have worked with Phil Johnson — candidate for Mayor of Nassau Bay — in executive management for six years in the chemical industry, 17 years on the flood remediation and infrastructure committees, and on City Council during his earlier term as mayor. Phil has a proven record as a leader in industry, city government, church and community organizations. He is honest, approachable and service-oriented with many strengths:

- A decisive leader with inclusive management style
- An effective problem solver with focus on short and long-term results
- Has consistent focus on cost effectiveness and deliverables on project and action items

A lot is at stake with this election, including the character of our city:

- <u>Apartments</u>: Phil's opponent has repeatedly pushed for <u>more</u> apartments in the city, most recently in 2020 when more apartments and a large parking garage were proposed in the front of the neighborhood. Each year apartments represent the largest category of police call outs for crime and safety issues. During a public hearing, Phil's opponent supported city staff's statements that Nassau Bay is "really part of Houston" and is "quickly growing out of being a suburban community." Phil opposed more apartments then and will continue to fight to preserve our unique suburban character of being safe, quiet and incomparable.
- <u>Churches</u>: Urban planners have pushed Nassau Bay to re-zone our churches and adjoining land to "mixed use. Phil pushed back when this was proposed and he has voiced his opposition to any future zoning changes that would potentially be detrimental to our places of worship, further urbanize our city or override **separation of church and state**.
- <u>Infrastructure</u>: Phil's opponent and the former city manager took steps to eliminate our infrastructure committee and thus input of citizens on the committee who have decades of experience with construction and infrastructure projects including street and road construction, sewage treatment plants and flood remediation. For example, during Allison and Ike, Phil took photos to identify root causes of street and house flooding and helped vet solutions for over 15 flood mitigation projects in the Lake Nassau watershed.
- <u>Fiscal Responsibility</u>: Since rejoining City Council in 2020, Phil led the charge to decrease city overhead, address the unfunded pension liability, refinance debt and bring Nassau Bay to a AA++ rating. This enabled the city to fund the largest infrastructure improvements in the city's history, purchase a new fire/police boat and new playground equipment without raising taxes. Phil is committed to sustaining our safe and family-oriented life style and water side incomparability versus increased urbanization and size of our city government.

Please review the credentials and positions of the other City Council candidates, as Phil's opponent is running with a slate, which, if elected plus one current council member who is in favor of urbanization, would give a majority on council to push for more **apartments** and **urbanization**. The choice is yours to make.

Sincerely,

Gary Mossman