

Cheryl Poage

What is your occupation?

Retired

What other governmental service have you been involved in?

Parker, Douglas County, Parker Fire District and South Metro Fire Rescue, State of Colorado, Federal Bureau of Justice - Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency, FCC, Fema, and the United States Fire Administration.

What is your educational background?

I have degrees in Fire Science Technology, Public Policy and Administration, Adult Education and Technical Communication, and Doctoral Studies in Instructional Technologies.

What community activities are you/have you been involved in?

Master Plan Development for Douglas County and Parker, Parks and Open Space for Parker and Douglas County, worked to start the Cherry Creek Trail and Parker Trail systems, led the effort to adopt the dedicated 0.5 per cent sales tax to build the recreation center and assist with future parks, facilities, and trail development, and started the South Metro Safety Foundation which has provided safety programs throughout Douglas County since 1991.

What are your hobbies?

I love boating, jeeping, and fishing.

What made you decide to run for Town Council?

I have been involved in Parker since its incorporation and feel I have the knowledge and experience to contribute to our community.

What will your top priorities be if elected to Town Council?

- Managed Growth through the revision of zoning regulations to reduce future density and reduce building heights.
- I support development; however, I am concerned about the pending efforts on Mainstreet where current zoning allows 60' buildings along Mainstreet, adding a significant number of multifamily units and businesses along Mainstreet and Pine Curve. Resulting in additional traffic congestion on Mainstreet and has the potential to "hide" views of our Pace Center.
- The use of Historical Architecture on Mainstreet

- The elimination of the tax on consumable food items. All local governments in our area have done this. Citizens deserve this break on food, yes it may mean that our local government will have to reduce their spending by a small percentage of their total budget.
- Improve efforts for open space acquisition and improving or building new parks and recreational facilities.
- Parker is working with other agencies to provide traffic improvements and this will need to continue.
- **Two New Projects Need Voter Assistance:**
 - Develop a Regional Olympic Pool and Ice Rink.

Our students have been asking for these facilities for 50 years, it is time to respond to their needs.
 - Develop a public private partnership for a Parker Cemetery.

Parker currently has an older cemetery which is adjacent to Parker Road and is run by a not-for-profit group; unfortunately space is limited. Families want their loved ones close to them and many are forced to leave Parker.

Do you have a campaign website? If so, please list:

www.poage.com