

Linda Larson Responses to Questions from Councilmember Dembowski

- 1) *What are your views on the powers of the branches of King County government as set forth in the charter? Would you make adjustments or suggest changes and if so, what changes do you believe may be warranted?*

I do not have any particular views on the powers of the branches of King County government, except that as a practicing attorney I strongly believe in the constitutional necessity of a strong judiciary and the separation of powers.

- 2) *Considering our region's population growth and the regional response that will increasingly be necessary to respond to associated challenges, what changes, including additional powers or changes in state law (if necessary), would you suggest to help the county address what it will likely face in the next 25-50 years?*

As a lifelong resident of King County, I am certainly aware of our region's population growth over my life time. However, I do not come to the Charter Review Commission with any particular agenda. If confirmed, I would work with my fellow volunteers and County staff to learn more about particular issues of concern to the County and to develop potential solutions.

- 3) *Please list any actual or perceived potential conflicts of interest you may have associated with this appointment or its underlying duties. How do you intend to address these conflicts?*

I do not have any actual conflicts of interest. In the interests of transparency, I disclosed on my application that my husband is a partner at Pacifica Law Group, which has provided legal services to the King County Prosecutors Office under discrete contracts on matters unrelated to the Charter Review Commission.