



Questions for Candidates for County Judge from the Conservative Coalition of Harris County

Our questionnaire is for candidates to indicate their reasons and opinions concerning issues surrounding their races. This questionnaire will be posted onto the Conservative Coalition of Harris County website for public voter viewing.

Candidate Name	Position for which Candidate is Running
Warren A. Howell	Harris County Judge

Please give your answer to each of the following questions and please include your rationale with each answer. Please be concise and clear.

1. Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate in your political race.

Answer: I bring an extensive record of private-sector leadership experience in construction, risk management, and insurance; fields that demand fiscal discipline, accountability, and results. I have managed complex budgets, overseen large teams, evaluated contracts, and delivered projects on time and on cost. As an Air Force veteran and lifelong Harris County resident, I understand service, chain of command, and stewardship. Most importantly, I am not a career politician. I know how to fix broken systems because I have done it repeatedly in the real world.

2. Please explain what you believe are the most significant issues in this race, why you are running for this position and what differentiates you from the other candidate(s).

Answer: Harris County faces unchecked government growth, runaway spending, weakened public safety, and erosion of taxpayer trust. I am running because the county is being managed like a political machine instead of a service organization. What differentiates me is simple: I have a written, executable plan to reduce the size and scope of county government, eliminate waste, end taxpayer-funded benefits for illegal aliens, and refocus county government on its core constitutional responsibilities. This race requires competence and resolve, not slogans.

3. What will your top 2 or 3 priorities be during this upcoming term?

Answer:

 1. Shrink county government by auditing every department, eliminating nonessential functions, and returning charity and social programs to private and faith-based organizations.
 2. Restore public safety and rule of law by prioritizing jails, courts, and law enforcement while ending policies that reward lawlessness.
 3. Protect taxpayers through disciplined budgeting, property tax relief, especially for seniors, and strict adherence to constitutional limits on government power.

4. Should the Harris County Commissioners Court create an efficiency team (DOGE) that will use computer technology such as AI to expose fraud and waste within county agencies?
- Answer:** Yes - this has been one of the key aspects of my platform since my campaign's launch! Harris County must establish a Department of County Efficiency (DOGE) to systematically expose fraud, waste, abuse, and redundancy. Modern data analytics and AI tools can identify inefficiencies that political processes intentionally ignore. This effort should be independent, transparent, and focused on measurable cost reductions. Small government requires accurate information and the courage to act on it.
5. What are the primary functions that can be improved within the Commissioners Court? What sort of things can be done to improve relations, communication and services with the public?
- Answer:** Commissioners Court must return to its core role: governance, not activism. Transparency can be improved through clear agendas, real-time financial reporting, and performance benchmarks tied to outcomes, not politics. Public trust improves when government is predictable, lawful, and limited. Local control works best when citizens understand where their money goes, why decisions are made, and how to hold leadership accountable.

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