

Columbia Council Representative Candidate Statement of William (Bill) Santos:

For the past year, I have had the honor of being your Columbia Council Representative, and in that time, I visited every corner of our village, talking with residents about problems and issues they would like to see addressed.

What I heard is that CA needs to responsibly manage our lakes and streams. CA has to provide adequate time for lap swimmers and families to enjoy Bryant Woods Pool. CA must develop financial, environmental, and cultural resiliency. Most of all, the CA Board must act ethically, transparently, and treat the residents and CA Staff with respect.

As a CA Board member I offer a pragmatic approach to our challenges. I believe the best solutions begin with being respectful of, and listening to all stakeholders. I also believe any changes that may come must be done responsibly and honor Columbia's heritage. I ask for your vote to make that happen.