



# Matthew Guthrie

## City of El Dorado Elected Official Questionnaire

### 1. Why did you decide to run for City Commission?

Dedication to El Dorado. I want to see the city prosper. To be welcoming to newcomers looking for a city that offers a high quality of life. I want to see every child that grows up in El Dorado have the quality of life unparalleled by any other community.

### 2. Do you feel you are qualified for this position and if so, why?

I believe I am qualified to be a member of the city commission. I bring over 20 yrs of business experience, leading and inspiring others to see the big picture of things, not just what's right in front of them. The city commission doesn't run the city, but establishes the long-term goals and future vision of our community. With that, there are numerous long-term items that have not been advanced. Many have not progressed for decades. I am looking to be a champion for El Dorado's future.

### 3. If elected, what would be your top priority or focus?

I will be pushing not just 1 but 5 items at any given time. Most items will be small (building setbacks regulations), but also hope to be working on large multi year items (lake development). I intend to follow up regularly, to make sure staff is working towards the goals the commission has set out. Not to let items linger until forgotten. Once an item has been worked all the way through, that item will be dropped from the list, and a new item will be introduced.

### 4. Is there anything else you would like to add as you are considered for this position?

I look forward to being a positive force for El Dorado. This town has given me so much since I moved here in 7th grade. I look forward to being a part of what I hope is a new era of growth and prosperity!