

## David Ripma



Position

City Councilor, Position 1

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Profile

I have worked as a patent lawyer for most of my career, 27-plus years. My current job is in-house Patent Counsel for Sharp Laboratories of America, Inc., a high-tech research company located in Camas, Washington. I am very involved in encouraging the historic elements of our community, and I value that we live in a special place.

Troutdale is a beautiful city with a desirable location and unique history. Probably our biggest challenge today is maintaining and enlarging our tax base, to keep Troutdale fiscally strong. We must attract new businesses and homes, and do it in a way that complements what is good about our city. In addition to economic development, I urge citizens to join me in keeping Troutdale safe through support of our police, and keeping Troutdale green through support of parks and greenspaces.

My goal as a city councilor is to help keep Troutdale the greatest place to live and work.

## **Professional Background**

- Patent Lawyer
- Electrical Engineer

## **Education**

- Juris Doctor, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.
- B.S. Electrical Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

## **Government & Volunteer Experience**

- Current Troutdale City Councilor
- Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council (Kitzhaber appointment)
- Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board (Kitzhaber appointment)
- Troutdale Planning Commission
- Troutdale Parks Advisory Committee
- Downtown Troutdale Task Force
- Board member and past president of the Troutdale Historical Society
- Co-chaired the Troutdale 100-year Celebration Committee
- Metro Policy Advisory Committee

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