



City of Rochester Hills
CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME **Micheline Sommers** COUNCIL DISTRICT **2**
DATE **10-17-16** ROCHESTER HILLS RESIDENT FOR **29** YEARS
OCCUPATION **Geriatric Therapist in private practice in Rochester Hills, Coordinator and faculty at**

INTERESTS/REASONS/QUALIFICATIONS

I have been in the Geriatric field for 30+ years as a manager and Director of older adult programs. I have worked in non-profit the entire time and managed Federal, State and local grants totaling over 4 million dollars. I have recently opened a private practice in Rochester Hills and provide mental health treatment to older adults 60+ and their adult children on issues related to aging. I am the Coordinator of the Certificate in the Psychology of Aging and Well-being for the Michigan School of Professional Psychology and am on their teaching staff in the program.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU HAVE SERVED (LIST MUNICIPALITIES AND DATES)

I have served on the OPC Advisory Board for ~~three~~ ^{two} terms

ELECTIVE OFFICES THAT YOU HAVE HELD

None

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

I am Chair of the Geriatric Social Workers of Southeast Michigan, covering Oakland, Macomb, Wayne, Genesee and Livingston counties. I am a founding member of the Oakland County S.A.V.E. Elder Abuse Task Force and have been awarded the Courage to Lead Award for my efforts in bringing awareness to the issue of elder abuse. I am a member of the Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Coordinated Community Response Coalition expanding the outreach on elder abuse awareness. I am on MSU's Social Work LeVande Gerontology Program Advsiory Board

PERTINENT EDUCATION

I have a Bachelor of Science from Oakland University in Human Resource Development, Master of Social Work from the University of Michigan and a Specialist in Gerontology from the Institute of Gerontology at U of M.

HOBBIES/INTERESTS

I love spending time with my grandchildren and volunteering with them to instill a sense of civic duty.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

I present on topics of interest to older adults and their children at the national, state and local level.