



City of Rochester Hills
CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME Tom Kalas COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

DATE January 26, 2018 ROCHESTER HILLS RESIDENT FOR 18 YEARS

OCCUPATION Business/Real Estate Attorney

INTERESTS/REASONS/QUALIFICATIONS

I have 30 years experience in zoning, land development, and related matters. My family and I have been Rochester Hills residents since 1999. We would like to see the city continue to prosper. I would like to serve the city and put my experience and knowledge to good use relative to matters involving zoning, planning, and land development that will affect the city's residents and future.

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

Water and Sewer Advisory Board, Rochester Hills, mid 1990's

ELECTIVE OFFICES THAT YOU HAVE HELD

None

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Member and current Chairman of the Board of Directors Karmanos Cancer Center; Board Member Children's Leukemia Foundation; member Karmanos Executive Committee; Oakland Univ Student Mentor; Oakland and Macomb County Bar Associations member, and also an appointed mediator and facilitator;

PERTINENT EDUCATION

BA, Oakland Univ (Political Science) (1985); JD Degree, Univ of Detroit Mercy School of Law (1988)

HOBBIES/INTERESTS

Sports and family time

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Tom Kalas Profile

Tom Kalas received his JD/Law Degree from the University of Detroit-Mercy School of Law in May 1988. He became a licensed attorney in the state of Michigan in November 1988. He has extensive real estate and commercial transaction and litigation experience and, since January 2002, has served as the principal attorney for his law firm with an emphasis on complex civil litigation, zoning and land use, real estate and business matters, and transactions. Tom was named as a 2018 "Michigan Super Lawyer". His practice includes significant involvement with real estate finance, debtor restructuring, litigation, construction liens, business and real estate transactions, leases, zoning and land use litigation. He has represented both local and national users and developers, builders, contractors, lenders, and suppliers for all aspects of land acquisition, development, construction and finance, zoning litigation, entitlements, site plan and PUD approvals. Project values have ranged from a few million to several hundred million dollars. Tom also has significant experience in representing borrowers in loan modifications and workouts, debt restructuring, foreclosure litigation and related matters. Currently, he also serves as corporate counsel to Five Brothers Asset Management Solutions (Five Brothers), a large nationwide property preservation company. He is in charge of all company legal matters, including contract drafting and review, third party vendor issues, risk assessment and management of third party relationships, employment issues, claims resolution, and litigation. He deals with compliance issues for the company, along with creating contracts, policies, and support documents governing third party vendors, with an emphasis on minimizing risk and liability to Five Brothers and its clients. Tom is a licensed Michigan real estate broker and also serves as a mediator and facilitator in Macomb and Oakland Counties. He is Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Karmanos Cancer Center, a Director of the Karmanos Cancer Institute, and a member of its Patient Quality Care and Compliance Committee. He also serves as a Director for the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan and is involved in other charitable organizations.