

5th Ward Alderman Candidate

Richard Artz Profile

My name is Richard Artz and I hope to earn your vote on April 6th. I am a St. Charles North graduate and have lived in the Fox Valley since 1999. I currently work at the Kane County Circuit Clerk's Office and have worked in different capacities such as a Trainer, Civil Team Assistant Supervisor, and currently as an Information Systems Professional. I worked for the St. Charles Park District for seven years at Pottawatomie Golf Course. I am currently the Chairman of the Kane County Young Republicans and the Vice Chairman of the St. Charles Township Republicans. I am a Precinct Committeeman for the 34th Precinct in St. Charles Township. I have served as a member of the Kane County Electoral Board for several years to determine electoral objection petitions. I received my Masters in Criminal Justice and a Bachelors in Political Science from Aurora University.



I want to be an advocate for the taxpayers for this city. Especially through these tough times, we cannot raise taxes. The taxing bodies of St. Charles should not be ganging up on taxpayers during a global pandemic. Our businesses have been through the ringer this past year. I support the city council's decision to reduce the liquor license fee for bars and restaurants. Any license fees or red tape that can be cut to support our local businesses is the right thing to do. The City scores very well on transparency, I would want to further increase that score by having an online check book. Kane County has recently implemented an online check book. Having worked at the Park District, I do care about the environment of our city. A cleaner Fox River and clean parks benefits us all. I am open to the possibility of removing the dam in downtown pending an environmental study after the Covid-19 and its accompanying crises have been resolved. We need leaders who are willing and able to disseminate facts versus unfounded conspiracy theories. We need leaders who are determined to help their citizens through these troubling times, not for the reason to hold onto power. We need leaders who are able and willing stand up for what is right, no matter the political divide.