



Alethea (Ally) Crocker

Running for Mayor, City of Cumby

My name is Alethea (Ally) Follis Crocker. I am 51 years old and am married with three grown children and 7 grandchildren. I was born in Wolfe City Texas and was raised in Commerce, Texas. I am currently retired from business management of 30 years with 45 employees. At peak times I supervised 98 employees and was also a restaurant trainer in the state of Texas. I know how to make money, cut costs, prioritize and meet deadlines.

My children Kristi Follis Smith, Donald Follis and Tristan Follis all went to school for a time in Cumby. My husband, Sam Crocker, owns a Tinting Business in town so we are vested in the community. I was also a Cumby council member for two years, so I understand the good and bad sides of being on council.

I also have a few ideas that could make it better. I was asked to share my vision for our little town but what really matters is **your** vision. I am not here to serve my own opinions as to what this town should be. It should be what the community wants, not just one person but the majority of the residents. I believe there should be more discussion with citizens before a vote is cast by the council. I think some time before the meetings for residents to talk to council members before a vote would benefit the town. As for my own beliefs, I believe in God and the constitution.

My motto is Faith, Family and Freedom. I think less government and more family is the way to go. Families built this country, and I believe strong families make strong communities. Let's not wait until a natural disaster occurs to become neighborly. We need to bring ideas to the table to make this community stronger. I feel we should consider listening to the people who live outside the city limits because if they do business here and work here every day, they are our community too.

We need to take care of our children, veterans and the elderly that live among us and find ways to make their lives easier. As a community I think we can do that. I, myself, prefer a small country town. I know everything is growing but I love the laid-back country atmosphere. Cumby needs repair to its infrastructure which I discussed with the secretary a while back. Also, our website needs to be updated and more user friendly. My biggest vision if I had to name one would be to get back to being a united community. Let's be there for each other. We should help, volunteer, build each other up and support those that need it. Let's be good stewards of the land God gave us.