

**Geoff McKim** – SUPPORTS BOTH a new jail and juvenile facility: “The county should move ahead with current plans to create a Justice Campus that incorporates Community Corrections programming and facilities, focused on rehabilitation and treatment, serving adults and juveniles. The facility should implement the recommendations of the Community Corrections Facility Task Force.” (HT 4.14.08)

**Warren Henegar** – SUPPORTS the construction of BOTH a new jail and juvenile facility. At the candidate forum Henegar declared that the shame of the 21st century is the prison industrial complex, but then said the time for talk has passed, and it’s time to build a new facility. “I support a new comprehensive correctional facility. One that is large enough to house our inmates humanely and to provide space to carry out a wide variety of re-entry activities and programs.”

**Marcus Moir** – OPPOSES a new jail and CONDITIONALLY SUPPORTS a new juvenile facility: “I favor more emphasis on helping citizens avoid the problems which lead them to jail in the first place. To that end I support increased funding for initiatives such as drug and alcohol abuse treatment, job training and long-term counseling. I am in favor of a juvenile treatment facility as long as the goals are focused on rehabilitation and not merely punishment.” (HT 4.14.08)

**Will Murphy** - OPPOSES a new jail and SUPPORTS the construction of a juvenile facility. Would like to see fewer people in jail in ten years: “I would like... a decrease in the ratio of inmates to the general population. I would want the number to reflect the success of an approach that invests in people’s potential, instead of in their warehousing. I would be inclined to expand support for diversion, drug treatment, counseling, and alternative sentencing programs.”

## **Republicans**

**Andy Dodds** – responding to a question about a new jail and juvenile facility: “Undoubtedly there are benefits however there are still too many unanswered questions to reasonably outline the framework of an implementation plan. Furthermore during these uncertain economic times I question the responsibility of saddling taxpayers with the additional burden...” (HT 4.14.08)

**Joyce Poling** – SUPPORTS the construction of both a new jail and juvenile facility. As commissioner, she endorsed the “master plan” in October of last year.

Jeff Huston, Bill Eggleston and Donald Francis, Jr. did not participate in the Criminal Justice Candidate Forum hosted by Citizens for Effective Justice, nor did they respond to emails regarding their position on the jail and juvenile facility.

**Contested county commissioners (one per district will be on each party’s ballot):**

### **District 2 – Democrats**

**Steven Sharp** – former County Sheriff and Chief of Police, Sharp OPPOSES building a new jail at the Thompson site, and SUPPORTS the construction of a juvenile facility. He believes jail capacity can be expanded by using more floors in the current building, and building an adjacent facility for courts and county offices: “The area below the current jail can readily be converted into needed jail space at significantly less cost than building a new jail...” (HT)