

District 1 — Hope Oliver

1. What prompted you to run for the Commission now?

I have always been involved in the civic process through voter education and registration. The District 1 Commission seat has been unopposed for the last 20 years, leaving me no candidate to support. This year, again, I was seeking a democratic candidate to support and there was none. So, I decided to step up, support myself, and give the citizens of District 1 a voice and choice in who they would like to be their representative on the Commission.

2. If elected, what goals do you have for the next four years?

My goals, as a Commissioner, are to promote governance that reflects the will of the citizens and to champion public education. Additionally, I will promote diversity of ideas and transparency in government. With the support of my District 1 neighbors, I envision building a fresh, more inclusive Commission that seeks to prioritize, value, and serve our citizens of Rutherford County.

3. What Standing Committees are you interested in serving on and why?

As a healthcare professional and an educator, I am very interested in serving on the Health & Education Committee. Additionally, as a small business owner, I continue to hone my skills in organizational management, budgeting, and finance. With this in mind, I am interested in serving on the Budget, Finance, and Investment Committee.