Dr. Ronald Aames

Hello, I'm Dr. Ronald Aames (pronounced Ames). I love living in Sun City West. I'm running to be a member of our Governing Board, so I can help keep our city the wonderful place it is.

I have the education, employment history, and the experience of having been an elected government official to do an outstanding job as a Board member.

Education: I earned a Bachelor of Arts degree at Marquette University in Milwaukee on a golf scholarship. I hold a masters' degree from Iowa State University and another masters' degree from California Polytechnic. I earned my Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin. Later I did post-doctoral work at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. My advanced degrees focused on urban planning and the development and improvement of cities.

Employment: I have worked in the fields of urban planning, finance, and research.

I conducted traffic research while working for Orange County Department of Transportation. It is the county south of Los Angeles.

After being a successful stockbroker, I became a senior vice president for a national bank in Los Angeles, where my work included research on bonds and other financial instruments.

Then I became a senior vice president for the Gallup Corporation, famous for the Gallup Poll. There I planned, oversaw, coordinated, and completed on time and budget complex projects for large companies and the federal government.

Elected Government Experience: Recently, and directly relating to my qualifications for serving on the Sun City West Governing Board, I was elected and served eight years as a Peoria, Ariz., council member. I also was elected vice mayor by the council for three of those years.

I worked cooperatively with the other council members on proposals and the budget. My motto is: With cooperation, good things get done. I accomplished a great deal for my district and the city, including beautification of the city's walls and plantings along its streets. And I helped keep the city on a secure financial footing.

While on the council I became Peoria's representative on the transportation boards for Maricopa County. As a member of those boards, I fought for and got a more equal share of state and federal money for our west side of the Valley - compared to the east side - than had been the case in previous years. That included the Sound Wall and the HOV lane on the 101 on our west side.

On a personal note, I have been happily married to my wife, Jacqueline, a retired ASU professor, for more than 30 years. We have a beloved rescue dog, who also loves living in Sun City West.

I'm asking for your vote. I promise to listen to you and to represent your interests and concerns.