

WHY VOTE FOR MAYOR MARTIN HARDER VP - AMM

To all AMM Heads of Council, CAO's, City Managers & Councillors,

I have been serving as Mayor of Winkler for the past 14 years which has resulted in prosperity, growth and a balanced community that highlights family, safety and health priorities. I am a family man, married to my lovely wife Valerie. We are blessed to have 5 children and 10 grandchildren. I value family above all else, which is evidenced by our family-friendly community.

I have initiated many positive endeavors in the community, including the Bethel Heritage Park, the Discovery Nature Sanctuary, the Buhler Active Living Centre, as well as transitioning the Affordable Housing management from Provincial to Local. New construction of the Meridian Exhibition Centre and the Canadian Tire Jump Start accessible playground are a first for community of our size in all of Canada.

I believe in listening, and then presenting the absolute uncompromised truth. I believe in partnering creative conversation, and not creating silos. I also believe that everyone has a fair voice. I strive to think and work outside the 4 walls of the box and not aim for status quo.

I was instrumental in the elimination of the Highway Traffic Board and the Motor Transport Board, giving Municipalities their rightful voice. I also serve you in the capacity of the Provincial Justice Advisory Council. I was recently reappointed to a second three-year term as your representative on the Manitoba Accessibility Council where my voice was heard to get Municipal recognition for compliance progress rather than punishment for non-compliance.

Serving my constituents has also broadened my focus on the region, serving as your Central District representative and Chair of our Pembina Valley Reeves and Mayors which represents 14 Municipalities. Being an advocate for the Region has been an asset to the Pembina Valley and the Province.

I have a strong vision to broaden my scope even further by sharing my ideas, values and principles to help create a better Manitoba, serving as Vice President for the Association of Manitoba Municipalities.

Do not hesitate to send any questions you may have to mayor@cityofwinkler.ca
Thank you in advance for your support!

Martin Harder
Mayor of the City of Winkler

