

Who is James Llanas and what can come if he's elected in Maplewood?

The Victory Fund, an organization promoting the advancement of lesbians, gays, bisexuals, and transgendered (LGBT), sent Maplewood council candidate James Llanas to Fort Lauderdale, Florida for 4 days to learn their leadership principles early this year.

In 2007, after losing in the Primary election, Llanas failed to vote in the General election, deserting his own party.

Llanas is endorsed by the Stonewall DFL Caucus (the openly gay members of the party) yet he hesitated to put this on some of his campaign literature along with his other endorsements. Why? Is Llanas ashamed of his own supporters?

Llanas, a non-native of Maplewood, apparently spends much of his time in Minneapolis supporting gay politicians. How does this qualify him to run for the Maplewood city council?

According to 123people.com James Llanas goes by at least 4 aliases. James M. Llanas, James L. Llanas, Jaime M. Llanas, and Moreno Llanas.

Llanas wants to establish a Human Rights commission in the city of Maplewood. The question is which humans? When is the last time a human rights commission did anything for you???

James Llanas brought in a representative from Out-Front Minnesota (another gay organization) to a City Council Meeting to push for this human rights commission. This was the only City Council meeting that most recall him ever attending.

http://www.victoryfund.org/endorsed_candidates/profile/candidate:241 Information below from this website.

Here is a sample of what they have on their website:

James Llanas Candidate for Council member
Maplewood, MN City Council
James Llanas is ready to win.

With a wealth of campaign experience behind him, Jim now hopes to put his skills to the test by earning a seat on the Maplewood City Council. Over the past few years, Jim worked to support the candidacies of out officials like Minneapolis City Councilman Gary Schiff and Duluth City Councilman Jeffrey Anderson.

Jim is a prominent supporter of LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bi-sexual and Trans-gender) rights in Minnesota. Not only has he supported out candidates, but he worked with Out-Front Minnesota to reinstate the Maplewood Human Rights Commission.

Winning this race is within James' reach. He is running a smart, aggressive campaign and has the support of influential political players around Maplewood. Your support can help give him the extra boost he needs to be victorious on Election Day.

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James Llanas shares many of the same endorsements as those received by Will Rossbach and Kathy Juenemann. Before voting you should consider that they may share the same goals for Maplewood and your tax dollars. Remember Kathy and Will have already voted to increase the Maximum Tax Levy by 5% for next year. Do your neighbors displaying all three of their signs share the same values and desires for Maplewood? Ask them!