

**VOTE VIC EDGERTON ON  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4th**

**6:00 AM TO 8:00 PM**

**EAST ROCK SCHOOL  
(Mechanic and Willow Streets)**



**VIC EDGERTON**  
**For Ward 9 Alderman**



### **WHY THE GREEN PARTY?**

The fastest growing political party in New Haven and the US is the Green Party. The two Greens currently on the New Haven Board of Aldermen have shown the **importance of another voice** in an otherwise one-party town. We blew the whistle on the Cross-Sound Power cable's damaging impacts on the Long Island Sound, our air quality and Connecticut's economy; we were working with environmental justice activists to fight the reopening of the English Station power plant when the major party was still supporting it; and we put our foot down when the Mayor cut essential city services like the school budget while giving himself a substantial raise. Our policies address the economic, environmental, and educational needs of all New Haveners.



**Questions? Suggestions? Ideas?  
Please let me know.**

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**Independent voice for better government**

**Responsiveness to residents**

**Safer streets**

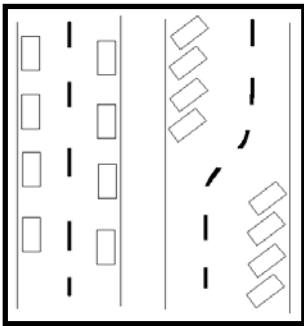
**Environmental quality**



## STREETLIGHTS, CONSTRUCTION INFO, TRASH ...

My top priority as Alderman will be to **respond quickly and effectively to your concerns**. Your current Green Party alderman has done an excellent job in this regard and I plan to do even better. Because I enjoy helping people, I have experience with local bureaucracies, and I have the technical knowledge to be creative with solutions, I can be particularly effective. I will use a frequent newsletter and a regularly updated web site to pass on essential info for our neighborhood. For example, the current construction project to separate storm water sewers and sanitary sewers is necessary to prevent flooding of raw sewage into streets and homes. But few of us have been told how long we can expect to be inconvenienced, what kind of inconveniences to expect and why. I will fight for an **active, direct communication** program in future phases of this 30 year project to keep residents better informed.

## SAFER STREETS



Many of you have told me you are concerned about cars speeding through our neighborhood, even though stop signs have been placed on many corners. We can use an array of proven "traffic calming" measures to slow cars and make our streets safer. Simply changing the setup of parking, for example, requires only a re-stripping of the streets, which forces drivers to take **a small turn. This slows cars down** while preserving or increasing the number of parking spaces and making travel safer for bikers and pedestrians.



## ABOUT VIC EDGERTON

Vic graduated from Yale with a joint masters degree in environmental management and public health and has chosen New Haven and Ward 9 as his home. After ten years of professional environmental testing and tracking of illegal dumpers for local agencies, he is now an experienced advocate for quality of life and better government for New Haven citizens. He enjoys biking, playing music, and helping to build stronger communities.

## ECONOMIC JUSTICE

Traditional top-down models of economic development often bring corporate welfare and dead-end, low paying jobs, furthering the trend of concentration of wealth and power. Development must happen through a more decentralized approach that puts **power back into the hands of the people**. In New Haven, that means expanding the **Living Wage** ordinance to pump money into the economy from the bottom up; it means **allowing workers to organize** for better jobs; it means wealthy corporations like Yale pay their **fair share of property taxes** instead of making citizens pay; and it means a **diversified economy** that offers resiliency and stability.

## ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Asthma and certain cancer rates in New Haven are among the worst in the state. Power plants and trash incinerators release toxic compounds daily into our air, water and soil, and more such projects are consistently being proposed in New Haven. I will provide much needed leadership on the Board of Aldermen on environmental issues, starting with the addition of more **bike lanes** and **bike racks**; creation of a **free soil testing** program for those concerned about lead contamination; and a **reduction in use of Residual fuel oil**, the most polluting type of oil, as an energy source. I will also work towards a **citywide sustainability plan** authored by community, academia, government and non-profit sectors.