

While I think Ron Olson was a fine candidate, I opposed his appointment as city manager. Although Ron Olson has years of documented city manager experience, I feel that at this time he was not the best fit for the City of Killeen.

I do not support paying any city employee an annual salary over the amount of \$200,000, to include the position of city manager. I also did not support many of the item amounts listed in the approved city manager contract. Government should always strive to live within its means just as hard-working Americans do everyday.

I am disappointed in the overall city manager search process and the steps that assisted the City Council in arriving at this decision.

I am a strong proponent of Planned Growth, Smart Government, Crime Prevention and a Strong Economy, and I hope that Ron Olson is equally passionate about these issues and can be instrumental in developing viable solutions for each of them.

While I did vote in opposition to Ron Olson's appointment as city manager, this will in no way hinder my ability, responsibility or obligation to the People and my colleagues to work with him in moving our city forward and making it a better place for our citizens to work, play and grow their families.

Respectfully,

Gregory Johnson,  
Killeen City Councilmember, At Large