

Re-Elect

Bill Mutz

for
Mayor

Let's Focus On



As Mayor, I choose to focus on **facts** instead of nefarious fears. Our Commission successfully navigated the challenging last four years because we listened and acted on **data-driven facts**. My opponent is spreading these **fears** as if they are **facts**!

 Bill Mutz is supporting Marxism and the local Black Lives Matter movement.

 As Mayor, my goal is to remain People-Focused by intentionally considering minority needs alongside majority needs. The local BLM added “Restoration Polk” to its name to specifically NOT identify with the national organization or its agenda, focusing on advancing opportunities to increase minority successes. The specific requests made to the Commission were:

- providing more training for minority start-ups, and
- working with lenders to increase availability of minority business financing

The Lakeland Commission supported these requests and included them within Lift Lakeland.

 Bill Mutz and the Commission used taxpayer dollars to move the Monument from Munn Park to Veterans’ Memorial Park.

 One of our Commission’s earliest responsibilities was taking decisive action on the growing concerns about the Confederate Munn Park monument. After listening to many perspectives, it determined the most pro-active and appropriate home for the monument was Veterans’ Memorial Park vs. the alternative of erasing history as many southern cities did. This decision addressed the representative concerns of all citizens.

The funds used to relocate the monument came only from red light camera fines, NOT **any** taxpayer dollars. The move expense was \$197,000 and \$480,000 of those fines were generated from non-Lakeland residents! We resolved a growing local issue, made a move that respected all parties, and accomplished this without using a single taxpayer dollar or Lakeland resident generated fine – those are the **FACTS**.



George Soros is invading Lakeland and Polk County to create a liberal Florida plan that can ultimately undermine the nation. The allegation is that Lakeland has a specific target on its back and is the focal point for this takeover.



George Soros has not had any input into any decision made by either Lakeland's or Polk County's Commissions. This claim is complete hyperbole without an iota of truth. The argument desires to create fear and undermine citizen confidence in a highly responsible, fully engaged, and wisely discerning City Leadership Team.



Our civil rights are at risk because the Mayor voted to mandate and eliminate individual's freedoms regarding masking, vaccinations, and potentially other matters.



The Commission follows county, state, and federal mandates and legal requirements. It never exceed those authorities, nor will it. In the spring of 2020, COVID deaths began multiplying at alarming rates at LRH, and I strongly advocated endorsing protocols our local health officials urgently requested. **It is easy to criticize those policies after the fact and forget we were dealing with deadly unknowns.** The Commission's overwhelming responsibility was to be as drastic as appropriately necessary to reduce the virus spread. I then worked with Chamber businesses and other community leaders to define protocols to help restore sales volume for local businesses quickly and responsibly. An additional fact, the Commission removed the mask mandate in October *earlier* than required.

Who is Bill Mutz?

His 25 years of Lakeland service reflects the deep commitment to our community. He is an entrepreneur, bridge-builder, mentor, high-integrity, personally invested, present, responsive, pro-active non-partisan collaborator who has consistently served individuals and groups in our City, and has led that same way as Mayor. He will continue to do so.

