



Biography

Matthew Hodde was appointed by the Leon Valley City Council in August 2019 to fill the vacant Place 4 Council Seat through May of 2020. He is a 24 year resident of Leon Valley where

he and his family have tried to be part of the community rather than just simply reside here. Matthew has served on the Hike and Bike Advisory Committee and the Economic Development Advisory Committee. Additionally, he has completed the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training at the Leon Valley Fire Department; participated in the Leon Valley Neighborhood Renewal Program; hosted and participated with his family in National Night Out events; and worked Leon Valley elections prior to Bexar County handling elections here. He and his family appreciate the small town feel of Leon Valley and have enjoyed, among other events, Earthwise Living Day and the Independence Day celebrations. "My family and I recognize the value of living in Leon Valley where City Hall, Police, Fire, and Public Works have always been accessible. The mere fact that they are willing to listen and consider residents' ideas and concerns represents the best of living in a small town." Matthew credits his parents' activities with the church and community for his interest in volunteerism from a young age.

Matthew has been married to his wife Mary for 23 years and together they have a daughter, Teresa, a graduate of UTSA and a son, Evan, who is a junior at the University of Texas-Austin. Matthew grew up in Southside Place, a small town in the middle of Houston similar to Leon Valley. He received his Associates Degree from Blinn Junior College in Brenham and his Bachelor of Science (Entomology) from Texas A&M University. His interests include home improvement projects, xeriscape and native landscaping, and of course, insects.

"With constructive citizen input and an engaged city staff, I would like to see us work together and be willing to compromise when necessary to achieve a Leon Valley known as a desirable community in which to live, work, and do business."