

MICHAEL SUTPHIN

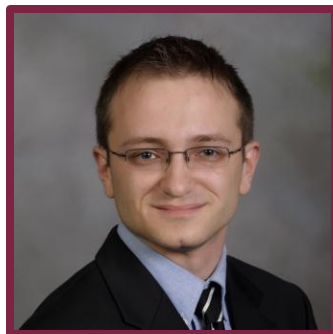
TOWN COUNCIL

Four Reasons to Vote for Michael

- ✓ **Economic Development:** He will work to create incentives for entrepreneurs, revitalize downtown, increase foot traffic at commercial centers and improve communication between local government and business.
- ✓ **Regional Cooperation:** He will work to ensure the success of the Old Blacksburg Middle School Master Plan, partner with the county on school issues, coordinate efforts to recruit business and offer area transportation choices.
- ✓ **Smart Growth:** He will work to encourage mixed-used development, promote public and alternative transportation, offer affordable housing and conserve green and open spaces.
- ✓ **Strong Neighborhoods:** He will work to protect the character and property values of our neighborhoods, find common-sense solutions to over-occupancy, provide recreational and athletic opportunities and connect college students and long-term residents as neighbors.

About Michael

Michael has lived in Blacksburg for nine years. He enrolled at Virginia Tech in 2002 and served as a student leader and as a news editor for the *Collegiate Times* in college. Michael graduated in 2006 with a bachelor's degree in communication and has worked as a public relations specialist at Virginia Tech for the past five years. He earned an endorsement from *The Roanoke Times* in 2009.



"This November, we must elect forward-thinking leaders who understand why 'kitchen table' issues matter in a tough economy and who will make sure our local government remains open, accountable and responsive to the people."—Michael Sutphin

Michael's Civic Experience

- ✓ Blacksburg Long Range Planning Committee
- ✓ Blacksburg Housing and Community Development Advisory Board
- ✓ Graduate of the Blacksburg Citizens' Institute
- ✓ Equality Virginia Board of Directors
- ✓ Member of the New River Land Trust, The Lyric Theatre and Downtown Blacksburg Inc.

Michael is running for Blacksburg Town Council because he wants residents to have a good job, own a home, start a business and enjoy the town's high standard of living. How can we promote responsible economic development and improve our quality of life?

Visit Michael's website to share your thoughts about how to make Blacksburg a better place to live, work and study. You can also donate to the campaign or sign up to volunteer.

Election Day is November 8, 2011. The voter registration deadline is October 17. Absentee ballots are due in the mail by November 1 or in person by November 5.

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