

## **MIKE ANDERSON - WAUKESHA CITY COUNCIL 10TH DISTRICT (NP)**

Key findings include:

- **First-Term Alder:** Anderson was elected to the Waukesha City Council in 2023. He works at the DMV and completed a course on local governance prior to being elected. He takes a non-partisan approach to his position.
- **Muted Online Presence:** Aside from his LinkedIn and a candidate profile, there was little information available online relating to Anderson

Waukesha is the county seat of Waukesha County in the Milwaukee metro. The city's 2024–2025 population is ~70–71k, with median household income around \$82k (ACS 2023). Demographically, the city is ~78–79% White, ~12–14% Hispanic/Latino, ~3–4% Black, ~3–4% Asian.

Further, Waukesha County is a Republican stronghold, with Trump winning 59-40 in 2024 and Schimel winning 58-42 in 2025 State Supreme Court race. For that reason, there is a high level of election denier events and organizing in the county. Some examples of the election denier activity and far right organizing happening in the county:

1. **Election Denier Organizing & Rulings:** High-profile election-denier figures and national groups actively use Waukesha venues. In March 2025, Wisconsin Supreme Court candidate (and Waukesha County judge) Brad Schimel told canvassers in Waukesha he'd be a "support network" for Trump and rehashed 2020 conspiracy complaints at a Turning Point USA canvasser meeting [[Wisconsin Examiner](#), 11/5/2025]. In Oct. 2025, Michael Flynn headlined a Republican Women of Waukesha County [event](#) in Oconomowoc. Local judges have also [ruled in favor of election deniers](#) in the past.
2. **Culture Wars & School Board Fights:** Waukesha hosts an active [Moms for Liberty chapter](#); local culture-war fights (e.g., the 2023 "Rainbowland" song controversy and firing of teacher Melissa Tempel) mobilized the same networks that overlap with far-right organizing. (Tempel's case is still generating coverage and [court filings](#) in 2025.)
3. **White-Supremacist Opportunism:** After the 2021 Christmas parade tragedy, outside white-supremacist groups (Patriot Front/National Justice Party) [targeted](#) Waukesha with rallies and propaganda—evidence the area is on the radar for the extreme right even beyond elections.

Trump won this district 52-48 in 2024 and won the city 53-47. However, While election results were not posted online for the 2023 Waukesha City Council elections, it appears as though Anderson ran unopposed in 2023 as his election is not listed under the election results posted on the [Milwaukee Journal Sentinel](#).

### **BACKGROUND**

Anderson was first elected District 10 alder in 2023. He does not appear to have a high level of prior government experience, although he did complete a Waukesha Local Government Academy before being elected. His city role includes serving on the Human Resources Committee, the Building & Grounds Committee, and the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) [Waukesha City, 11/4/2025].

According to his LinkedIn, Anderson has worked at the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the past 8 years as a Regional Operations Manager, before that, for 2.5 years as a Supervisor. Before that he

worked at a casino in operations and at McDonalds. He attended Lakeland University for his Bachelors degree and Northeast Wisconsin Technical College for his Associates.

In a candidate profile from 2023, he said affordable housing is always a concern [[GM Today](#), 11/4/2025].

### **ON THE ISSUES**

#### **PARTISANSHIP**

In a candidate profile from 2013, Anderson stated he “also believes that drawing hard partisan lines isn’t the way to go when making decisions that benefit the whole community. “I don’t want to have any preconceived notions about what should or shouldn’t be done” [[GM Today](#), 11/4/2025].

### **VULNERABILITIES & ADVERSE FINDINGS OF NOTE**

*None found for first round vet*

### **SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS**

[LinkedIn](#)