

Taxes Eating You Alive?



Ed Scruggs says: **“Let’s make Austin affordable again!”**

We are in an affordability crisis. It is forcing some families to move out of Austin. Young couples can't afford a house. Many can't afford their property taxes, plus rising utility rates. Ed Scruggs doesn't promise miracles; but he does have a plan to start solving the problem.

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Ed Scruggs: Action For An Affordable Austin

Increased City Homestead Exemption

A phased in 20% exemption will save homeowners hundreds of dollars a year.

Reform Property Tax Appraisals

Ed will lead the effort to reform the unfair state appraisal law. It now allows drastic under valuation of commercial property, while homeowners are often stuck with 90% of market value.

Budget Reform

We need to go to a zero-based budgeting system and sunset review to avoid automatic increases.

Reform School Funding

AISD taxes are over 50% of our property tax bill; but due to unfair school funding law half of every AISD tax dollar goes back to the state. Ed will battle to make the formula fairer.

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Ed and Kristina Scruggs and their family. Ed is a professional auditor who knows the importance of good budgeting. He's been an active community leader for Southwest Austin for over a decade.



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