

“Contract with Orange County Taxpayers”

- 1. I pledge to never accept a government pension.** I do not believe elected officials should have a better pension than the taxpayers who support them.
- 2. I pledge to create a “Committee on Government Efficiency”.** I will bring together all 14 local governments in Orange County to implement efficiencies and improve services while lowering cost.
- 3. I pledge to lower taxes.** When we lower taxes on small business they can hire more people. Unemployment will be reduced and the economy will recover in a sustainable way.
- 4. I pledge to immediately repeal the toll increase.** I will work towards obtaining a self-liquidating mortgage so we can remove the tolls forever.
- 5. I pledge to improve public safety.** I will require a “guaranteed level of service” from the Sheriff’s office which will put more patrols on the streets by reducing administration.
- 6. I pledge to let the voters decide what they want from government.** I will place every government project that is outside the core functions of government on the ballot for taxpayers to approve or disapprove. No more spending one billion dollars of your money without your consent.
- 7. I pledge to end the defined benefit retirement plan for all future employees and start them on a defined contribution plan.** We need to end the generational liabilities we are passing onto our children.
- 8. I pledge to reduce my salary by 10% and give another 10% to charity.** Government salaries have increased much faster than the average taxpayers in Orange County.
- 9. I pledge to end corporate welfare and the culture of corruption.** Taxing small business and giving the money to politically connected big business is not economic development. It is also the basis for corruption in local government.
- 10. I pledge to make Orange County government the most transparent in the nation.** Every contract and every agreement obligating the taxpayer shall be placed on line so the citizens can see where their money is going.
- 11. I pledge to always put the “Taxpayer First.”** Every policy decision shall be made to benefit the average citizen. Taxpayers’ first, special interests last.

Signed: *Matthew Falconer*

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