

Susan Judkins was appointed to the Clive City Council in November 2013. She works as a Client Development Director for RDG Planning & Design, a firm with expertise in architecture, landscape architecture, planning, interiors, art, multimedia, engineering and water resources. Prior career activities involve founding and leading economic and leadership development programs, launching the state's successful Vision Iowa program, advising communities on project financing, and guiding passage of critical legislation following Iowa's 2008 floods. Her broad experience with city government began as a library aide in her home town of Vinton, Iowa, and includes service as Director of Governmental Affairs for the Iowa League of Cities. She has a BA in Business Management from Simpson College, and an MBA from the University of Iowa. Susan's community involvement includes current board service with the Iowa Architectural Foundation, the Clive Community Foundation, BRAVO and the Wellmark YMCA. She is interested in water quality policy and projects, and is active with several watershed groups and represents Clive on several Watershed Management Authorities. Prior to joining the city council, Susan served as a member of the Clive Library Board. Susan and her husband, Bob Josten, have made Clive their home since 2006. They have three adult daughters: Jennifer Josten, Ph.D., Assistant Professor for the University of Pittsburgh; Whitney Judkins, JD, Fiedler & Timmer Law Firm; and Erin del Ninno, MD, Capital Women's Care in Silver Spring, MD.