

33rd City Council District

Stephen E. Pierson (D)

My name is Stephen Pierson, and I'm running for City Council in the 33rd District. I've been a proud Brooklyn resident for 14 years. I'm a Community Board 2 member, a Democratic Party County Committee member, and the father of a 2-year-old daughter, with another child due in November. For the past 7 years I've been the Director of a nonprofit that provides after-school educational programs for at-risk youth. Every day, I see first-hand the numerous ways that New York's public schools are letting our children down. The foundation of a strong community is a strong public-school system. Fixing this system will be my primary goal as a Councilman. It's long overdue that we give parents a voice at the table. Downtown Brooklyn and Brooklyn Heights are just a couple years away from facing significant overcrowding issues. I'm not content to wait until we have a crisis — I'll work with the community to resolve this overcrowding problem now. I'll also fight to make pre-Kindergarten available to all children. I'm also committed to building more open spaces and affordable housing, especially in Williamsburg and Greenpoint. Large new development plans are on the way in these neighborhoods, and I will fight to ensure that these plans include public parkland as well as a high ratio of affordable housing units. I'm running for office because we deserve elected officials we can trust. Too many politicians prioritize political debts over their responsibility to their constituents. It is my pledge to you that I will always put the community's interests ahead of politics. Please take a moment to learn more at my website, www.piersonforcouncil.com. I would be honored to receive your vote on September 10th.

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