

*RE-ELECT* Evert Comer, Jr.  
District No. 6  
Bamberg County Council

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COMER SAYS HE'S MADE POSITIVE  
DIFFERENCE, NO NEED TO CHANGE

DENMARK, SC – District 6 Bamberg County incumbent councilman Evert Comer, Jr., in a press statement for re-election to the seat he has held for the past twelve years, urges District 6 voters to stay the course, continue the progress the county has made and continues to make in critical times. He feels he has delivered a high degree of constituent services and helped to make a positive difference in the growth and development of the county over the years despite the critics.

"When I first took office twelve years ago, Bamberg County was near bankruptcy. We eventually lost the hospital to bankruptcy and we've worked hard and turned things around, but there is still more to do. Bamberg County is now financially stable. We've maintained strong financial management, including an 'A' credit rating, which helps lower borrowing costs with lower interest rates and saves taxpayers money."

"Now is the time to stay the course, keep moving forward, and continue building a stronger Bamberg County," he said. The Denmark attorney of nearly 40 years went on to say, "Continued progress requires steady leadership, proven experience, and a clear understanding for our county's needs. Now is the time to build upon our foundation—not start over, but to move forward with purpose and stability." Comer's prior experience includes 14 years as a school board member and six as a city councilman. He is a former church trustee and chairman as well as a former deacon and chairman at Denmark's Rome Baptist Church where he was licensed a minister and ordained a gospel preacher. He now pastors his second church.

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"Public service is one of the callings the Lord has assigned to my hands," Comer said. "I've been at it for quite awhile, not just as an elected official, but in many other areas."

He highlighted key county accomplishments, including the hospital emergency room for the Bamberg and Barnwell Counties areas, expanded broadband services which were acquired after 10 years of unrelenting attempts, a new fire station in the Denmark area, infrastructure improvements, increased attention to dirt roads, and economic development that brought businesses like Tractor Supply, Black Horse Steel, and Gibbs International to the area, with others in the making.

He ended by thanking District 6 voters, for the trust and confidence placed in him over the years. "I am asking them to stand with me once again as I have stood for and with you so we can continue working together to strengthen Bamberg County for current and future generations."

Comer, who was away after high school to pursue college and university degrees in Atlanta, GA, Chicago, IL, and Columbia, SC, and to serve in the U.S. Army, returned to what he calls home (Denmark) to live, work, serve, die and be buried with his family many of whom have died, down from eight to two, him and his brother, Glenn. He has many times recalled what he says many of his public school teachers kept saying to their classes, "Too many of you are leaving and not returning here to live. We need for some of you to come back to help make the community a better place in which to live." He lives in Denmark with his wife, Minister Ruth B. Comer. They have four children and eight grandchildren.