



Bostic, Peper post easy GOP victories

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Contrary to his campaign slogan, Charleston County Council candidate Joey Douan didn't "Git-R-Done" Tuesday. And in the race for the District 6 seat, incumbent Curtis Bostic brought in 59 percent of the vote and beat Nancy Cook, a member of the Charleston County School Board.

Newcomer Mark Peper defeated Douan with 64 percent of the vote in the Republican primary race for the District 7 County Council seat.

All results are unofficial.

Peper will face incumbent Colleen Condon, a Democrat, in the Nov. 4 election. Peper said this marked his first political run and he's "humbled by the support everybody has shown.

"It just goes to show you that if you work hard, you can get great results," he said.

Peper, 29, an attorney and former Charleston County Park and Recreation commissioner, said key issues for him include alleviating traffic on West Ashley's congested arteries, controlling growth and completing the controversial Mark Clark Expressway project.

Douan couldn't be reached for comment Tuesday night.

In District 6, Bostic, 44, will face Democrat Vic Rawl in the general election Nov. 4. If Bostic wins, it will mark his third term on County Council.

He said he was thankful for the win. "The people of Charleston are a gracious lot," he said.

Bostic said he will continue to fight against raising taxes and to make sure county budgets reflect an efficient county government. He also said he'd continue pushing for economic development, heightened public safety, controlling growth and preservation of Charleston's natural beauty.

Cook said she wanted to congratulate her opponent and thank her supporters. Also, she said she's not planning another run for her school board seat.

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