



Council Member Robert W. Carling Biography

Bob Carling was elected to the Livermore City Council in November of 2016. Prior to his election Bob was a director at Sandia National Laboratories. He retired in early 2014 after nearly 38 years of service. He and his wife, Sue, have lived in Livermore for over 40 years. They have three sons and seven grandchildren.

As a director at Sandia, Bob was responsible for leading the Combustion Research Facility, the foremost combustion research laboratory in the world. With colleagues from Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, he also was instrumental in developing the concept and creation of the Livermore Valley Open Campus (LVOC). The LVOC offered a new way to work with scientists and engineers from all over the world.

While employed by Sandia, Bob served as a board member of the Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce and was a founding board member of Innovation Tri-Valley and i-GATE. More recently he served on the board for the Livermore Valley Performing Arts Center.

Bob holds a BA in biology from Olivet College (Michigan), a MS in chemistry from Oakland University (Michigan), and a PhD in physical chemistry from the University of Michigan.