



LOCAL ELECTION PROGRAM SCHWEINFURT 2026

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Guiding principle:
Enable rather than hinder –
because Schweinfurt can do more

Weil Schweinfurt mehr kann.

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More Employment & Future

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

- Schweinfurt is an industrial city – and should remain so.
- Schweinfurt is also home to a strong small and medium-sized business sector, skilled trades, and services.
- We secure jobs, strengthen businesses, and actively shape change.
- With clear economic policies, dialogue on equal footing, innovation, attractive sites, support for new businesses, and close cooperation with companies, employees, unions, and universities.
- For quality employment, skilled workers, and new opportunities in our city.
- Economic policy is a top priority.

More Activity in the City Centre

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

- A vibrant city centre is the heart and face of our city.
- We reconnect retail, gastronomy, culture, and everyday life.
- With great events, improved amenities, green spaces, and new uses for vacant properties.
- Our city centre should once again be a place where people enjoy spending time – day and night.

More Safety & Order

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

- We take action instead of looking the other way: with clear rules, consistent enforcement, and a visible presence of police and security service.
- Problem areas are identified and addressed, not downplayed.
- At the same time, we strengthen social cohesion in the city's neighbourhoods, promote community interaction, and combat loneliness.
- For us, order, safety, and humanity go hand in hand.

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More Options for the Max Bridge to find the best Solution

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

- The future of the Max Bridge is a key decision for our city.
- Our goal is clear: The city centre must remain accessible.
- We examine all realistic options, involve citizens, and work in a solution-oriented rather than ideological way.
- Schweinfurt needs safety, reliability, and a clear roadmap.

More Climate Resilience & Quality of Life

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

- Climate change directly affects us.
- We strengthen Schweinfurt's climate resilience: with more green spaces, more shade, and fewer sealed surfaces.
- As a "sponge city," we store water, protect trees, and improve the urban climate.
- Climate protection must be tangible – in people's everyday lives.

More Housing & Community

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

- Affordable housing is social security.
- We strengthen socially oriented housing companies and contribute to a socially just energy transition.
- At the same time, we focus on intergenerational living arrangements, social housing, accessibility, and neighbourhood-based care.
- So that everyone can live well in Schweinfurt.

More Opportunities for Children & Youth

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

- Children and young people deserve the best opportunities.
- Investments in education, modern schools, good facilities, and school social work tailored to students' needs are our priority.
- Young people should have a say and help shape their community – in their neighbourhoods and in city politics.
- Those who take young people seriously are investing in Schweinfurt's future.

More Reliability & Participation

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

- A citizen-friendly city needs engagement and a functioning town hall.
- We make the administration faster, more digital, and more citizen oriented.
- We relieve the burden on associations, strengthen volunteer work, and create new forms of participation.
- Politics should enable – transparently, fairly, and reliably.

More Sports & Culture

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

- Organized sports in Schweinfurt are a key factor in the city's attractiveness and a vital contributor to successful integration efforts.
- We support sports in Schweinfurt and are prepared to explore new ways of securing the infrastructure.
- Schweinfurt boasts a vibrant cultural life, for which many comparable cities admire us.
- We value both municipal and non-municipal cultural organizations equally. We intend to pay closer attention to our socio-structural development.

More sound Finances

Because Schweinfurt can do more.

Like many municipalities, our city is also suffering from tight budgets. Every expenditure must be scrutinized. For us, the following applies: not everything that saves money in the short term is economically sound in the long run.

Therefore, it is essential to carefully examine the effects of each savings plan. Cuts that strike at the very foundations of our society are unacceptable to us. However, it is also clear that if the federal and state governments fully reimbursed us for the responsibilities they have delegated to us, we would not have many of these problems.

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