

Daniel began serving the community as a City Council member for the second time in January of 2022. His first time in office spanned 10 years from 2005 to 2015. During that time, Daniel served as a council member and Mayor. When Daniel ran in 2004, he believed that the growth of neighboring cities was coming to Dallas Center, and his experience as an architect would help our community appropriately plan for growth. In 2022, that growth is accelerating, and Daniel's unique position as an Architect/Owner of a civil engineering and architecture firm brings another level of expertise to his already extensive knowledge of planning and design.

During his first tenure as a council member, Daniel advocated for improvements to the quality of life in Dallas Center. Those items include: the beginning of the street replacement/overlay projects, the paving of the Raccoon River Valley Trail within the city limits, a new water tower, planning for the hybrid storm water management system, the first effort at a streetscape on Walnut Street, and the initial concept planning for a new pool, among others. For this term, Daniel will continue to advocate for improved quality of life and responsible growth for Dallas Center.

In 2002, Daniel and his wife, Heather, moved to Dallas Center, where Heather grew up. They now have three children, Levi, Benjamin, and Seth. Both Daniel and Heather, as well as their oldest, are graduates of Dallas Center – Grimes. The two younger children currently attend DCG.

Daniel is a co-owner of Pelds Design Services, a civil engineering, architecture, and land surveying firm in Des Moines. His role at the firm is as Director of Architecture and Business Development. Through his work, he is responsible for all architectural projects that come from the firm and often provides concept design for land planning projects. His experience in these areas of design bring a unique perspective to projects and will be beneficial as the City of Dallas Center continues to grow.

His wife Heather spent 14 years as a teacher in the Dallas Center – Grimes district, as well as spending 10 years at home raising their children. She now works in Waukee as the office manager for Blue Frog Marketing, and Simply Better Realty, both under the same ownership group.

Daniel and Heather spend much of their free time volunteering for their school, their community, and their church.