



# QUESTIONNAIRE & RESPONSES

FIRST NAME:  LAST NAME:

SEEKING TO BE ELECTED TO:

## GENERAL QUESTIONS

1. **While in office, what will be your top priorities?** My top priorities include continuing to address stormwater and flooding, public safety, and ensuring that all development adheres to the strictest environmental considerations and has a positive impact on the community.
2. **What influenced you to run for office?** Helping my neighbors and community as a whole has always been a passion of mine, from a young age I was always eager to assist where I could. My professional background and common sense approach to our community needs perfectly fill a gap in the City of Deltona.
3. **Who do you look to for advice and consult when making decisions that will affect the public?** Since being appointed to the commission in February residents and neighbors have been resolute in provided their diverse perspectives and expertise.

## GOVERNMENT / BUSINESS REGULATIONS

1. **What are your thoughts on government's involvement with regulations for businesses?** Business regulation should ensure public safety and integrity of the community, while promoting economic development and fulfilling the vision of residents.
2. **Where do you see yourself on taxes and fees? What is your opinion on the current structure?** Our governments' responsibility is to protect residents and provide services that benefit every resident. I prioritize alternative funding sources that reduce our communities financial burden while ensuring our needs are met. Currently I believe there are improvements to be made to the tax structure within the City of Deltona.
3. **Do you believe businesses play a pivotal role in our community?** Emphatically yes! Businesses play an important role providing jobs, services, livability in our community.
4. **What role do you see for yourself in helping to grow businesses of all sizes in your position?** The role I can play in growing businesses in Deltona is reducing the barriers to entry, providing an ideal environment for them to thrive.
5. **What are the most pressing issues in the office you are seeking as it relates to local businesses?** The most pressing issue that our city commission will need to address is the lack of professional businesses and local jobs that drive other commercial opportunities.
6. **What does growth mean to you as it relates to business?** Business growth to me means creating an environment that allows new businesses establish themselves in the City of Deltona.
7. **What have you done to enhance the business community in your area?** Through the process of updating our Land Development code, zoning and comprehensive plan, I have continually ensured that addressing the challenges deterring business development in the past are a priority.
8. **What are your thoughts on tax structures for local businesses?** Local businesses provide stability to local tax revenue and should be fair to both the business and residential tax payers.

## RESILIENCY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

1. **Given our geographical area, what do you believe are some best practices for resiliency, and how do you believe our businesses can play a role?** Resiliency is critical to our communities ability to respond and rebound, and businesses play a vital role in this.
2. **Climate resiliency is becoming a heated topic of discussion as it relates to our community given the natural events that occurred over the past two years. If elected, how do you see your office assisting to alleviate and reduce some of the detrimental effects of such occurrences?** As a city commissioner we can alleviate the detrimental impacts of natural disasters through planning and preparation.

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**WORKFORCE HOUSING / LIVE LOCAL ACT / EMPLOYMENT**

1. There have been conversations about workforce housing in our area, and the need to keep those that are working in the community, living within the community. Where do you see the need? And what are your thoughts on the Live Local Act? I see the need throughout our community increasing along with home prices.
2. Workforce housing is only a part of the problem. How can we hire the best employees? How do we attract good applicants? A lot goes in to attracting the best employees, an important component of that is creating a community that employees desire to live in.

\* \*\* For State Candidates Only \*\*\*

**PROPERTY INSURANCE (STATE CANDIDATES ONLY)**

1. Name ways that you believe your office can assist with the cost of property insurance.
2. Do you believe current measures taken to lower insurance, such as, reducing frivolous lawsuits, will have a positive impact? If not, how so and how can it be fixed at the local level?