



QUESTIONNAIRE & RESPONSES

FIRST NAME: LAST NAME:

SEEKING TO BE ELECTED TO:

GENERAL QUESTIONS

- 1. While in office, what will be your top priorities?** Make the City more business friendly, develop a reputation for being open to new business ideas.
Make more affordable workforce housing available, especially for those working in our hospitality and service industries
Take care of our assets to preserve them for future residents
- 2. What influenced you to run for office?** I was a community activist for years participating in neighborhood meetings and city government meetings I concluded the only way to create change. Was to have a presence on the Commission dias.
- 3. Who do you look to for advice and consult when making decisions that will affect the public?** I listen to the residence that I represent. Even if I don't agree with resident sentiments, I'm there to represent them.

GOVERNMENT / BUSINESS REGULATIONS

- 1. What are your thoughts on government's involvement with regulations for businesses?** The City should be focused on health and safety, and keep other regulations to a minimum.
- 2. Where do you see yourself on taxes and fees? What is your opinion on the current structure?** Taxes and fees, I understand it sometimes increases are necessary, but I will only vote for increases when it is the only choice to maintain the services. Our residence need as far as the current structure we need to remain focused on quality of life for our residence and support the small Businesses in our community.
- 3. Do you believe businesses play a pivotal role in our community?**
Yes, of course.
- 4. What role do you see for yourself in helping to grow businesses of all sizes in your position?** I will advocate for the addition of a full-time ombudsman who can act as in liaison with and advocate for our small businesses. I will support our economic development team in their efforts to bring new businesses with well paying jobs to our community.
- 5. What are the most pressing issues in the office you are seeking as it relates to local businesses?** To make it easier for new businesses to open by streamlining the process for businesses to get the permits and licenses they need.
- 6. What does growth mean to you as it relates to business?**
More growth means more businesses are needed to provide for the increase population. Our larger population also creates opportunities for businesses that need a larger customer base to locate here.
- 7. What have you done to enhance the business community in your area?** I have continued to listen to their concerns and helped connect them with the right people in the city government and beyond.
- 8. What are your thoughts on tax structures for local businesses?** As we grow, our needs will change we need to continually reevaluate our tax structures. Business is an important contributor to city revenue, and we don't want to discourage their continued presence in our city.

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?** Our area must be prepared in advance of impending issues. I support the charter review commission proposal to create an environmental advisory committee for Daytona Beach, so we can start to prepare for the future.

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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?** I think preparedness is the key as a city commissioner. I will view proposed developments and contracts with attention to what impact they will have on a future affected by climate change.

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?** Wages have not cap pace with increasing housing cost. I support an affordable housing trust fund. We must find an equitable way to fund it and commit to it as soon as possible.
2. **Workforce housing is only a part of the problem. How can we hire the best employees? How do we attract good applicants?** To attract the best applicants, we must increase the wages of the jobs that we currently have and those jobs that will be coming to our area.

* ** 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?**