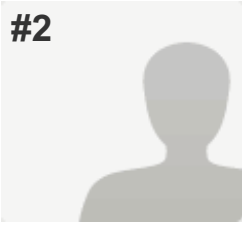


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| Q1: What is your name please? | Tea Schook |
| Q2: Which Counsel district do you hope to represent? | District 11 |
| Q3: Please tell us the best way to contact you if we have a question..telephone or email. Please provide either or both in the comment box below. | |

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| Q4: Do you believe it is the ultimate obligation of City Council members to represent and advocate for their constituents in the neighborhoods they represent, rather than expedite the Mayor's office or private businesses that may benefit from these types of transactions between governmental entities? | Yes, Comment: This is why I am running. My commitment is solely to the people of my district and to their benefit. While I like the mayor, I was mentored by Cathy Donohue and Cathy Reynolds in council matters; they taught me to stand against the mayor when it impacts the district you represent. I will have no other considerations as the council representative for 11. |
| Q5: Do you believe that preserving strong public neighborhood schools in each of our communities is very important to the viability and strength for the future of our neighborhoods? | Yes |

PAGE 5: I. DESIGNATION OF UNDESIGNATED PARKS, PROTECTION OF OPEN SPACE, MORE PARKLAND

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| <p>Q6: INC, in response to a request from the Department of Parks and Recreation, formed a committee to aid the department's effort to designate undesignated parks. While this committee has made progress over the past two years, the work is not finished. Would you support a concerted effort within all city departments affected to complete the designation of all undesignated Denver parks that are legally available for designation?</p> | <p>Yes</p> |
| <p>Q7: In addition to designating undesignated parks, we also need to prevent the transfer of open space within designated parks to institutions within parks. Over many years, open space in designated parks has been re-allocated by the Manager of Parks and Recreation to institutions within parks such as recreation centers, museums, and zoos. It is important that open space within parks is protected. Would you ask for policy changes to protect open space within designated parks?</p> | <p>Yes</p> |
| <p>Q8: There is inadequate urban parkland in Denver given the size, density, and expected growth of Denver's population. For example: The city had 555,000 residents in 2000 and is projected to have 700,000 in 2020. While the Hancock administration may add additional parkland to the park system, the current plans focus on the acquisition of land at the periphery of Denver. We need parkland in the center of the city where the population is growing and "density" is a goal of the administration's urban development plan. Would you support the acquisition of additional parkland and open space within the center of the City of Denver?</p> | <p>Yes,</p> <p>Comment: Where would this be found? District 11 is "at the periphery of Denver" and we do have a delightful park with open space that is also situated with a rec center and ball fields in the west half of the district. The east half has a weed-filled dog park and an open concept park that is used for frisbee golf, which encourages people to trample grasses. What pockets of land within the city center exist?</p> |

Q9: The urban parkland that does exist is viewed increasingly as a site for multiple and oftentimes conflicting purposes-- opportunities to experience nature, spaces in which teams can play, and sites for large festivals. These uses of the same land has created problems within our parks including damage to parkland and vegetation, limitation of public access to parks, and distress for neighborhoods bordering parks (eg., unacceptable levels of noise, traffic congestion, threats to public safety, and problems parking). As a result, a site is needed for large ticketed events such as festivals that is not located within neighborhoods. Well-lighted playing fields with bathrooms and parking outside of city parks are also required. Would you support the development of a Festival Site?

Yes

Q10: Would you explore opportunities for and support the development of playing fields outside of city parks for Denver citizens?

Yes

PAGE 7: III. USE OF RECYCLED WATER IN PARKS

Q11: Would you ask the City administration to convene a panel of independent experts in plant physiology, soil chemistry etc. to evaluate the safety of the type of recycled water used in our parks and to report the results to the public?

Yes

Q12: If the risks of the type of recycled water currently in use are found to be too high, would you support all steps necessary to eliminate these risks?

Yes

PAGE 8: IV. PARK ADMINISTRATION

Q13: Effective government requires citizen engagement. INC has received multiple complaints and over many years pertaining to the use of parks. Complaints include the difficulty citizens have in influencing park policies. A new Office of Special Events has been formed by the Mayor and its function will have an impact on what events occur in parks. Would you advocate for INC representation on an Advisory Board for the Office of Special Events?

Yes

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Q14: Would you direct funds to the Department of Parks and Recreation to ensure enforcement of park rules and regulations within the entire park system?

Yes,

Comment: Especially leash laws.

PAGE 9: V. PARK FUNDING

Q15: Denver's park and parkway system is grossly under-funded. A broad range of funding sources must be pursued in order to sustain and to expand Denver' park system. This funding includes local and state-level dedicated revenue sources. Denver is surrounded by municipalities that fund their parks with a tax levy dedicated to parks. Would you support a tax levy to provide a stable funding source with which to acquire land for parks, open space, a festival site, playing fields, and for maintenance of all these for Denver's park system?

Yes,

Comment:

I would; I think it would be a hard sell and would most likely fail at the ballot. And I would support it nonetheless.

PAGE 11: Discretionary Projects

Q16: If elected, would you support an increase to Public Works funding for discretionary projects in neighborhoods?

Yes

PAGE 12: Commitment to Vision Zero

Q17: Would you support Denver joining the ranks of cities that target elimination of traffic deaths and serious injuries as a moral priority by adopting a Vision Zero approach?

Yes,

Comment:

at very least testing it for Denver application; I would really prefer to know more about this program before jumping on it.

PAGE 13: Best Practices regarding sidewalk installation and maintenance

Q18: Would you support Denver pursuing and implementing best practices from other cities regarding sidewalk installation and maintenance, with the goal of increasing walkability?

Yes,

Comment:

My district has several issues with nonexistent or damaged sidewalks.

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Q19: . Would you support the City of Denver engaging consultants to study the effects of parking on neighborhoods in areas where high rise development is contemplated prior to approval of the development. If so, what parking study process would you suggest?

Yes,

Comment:

Why aren't we making garages a requirement for building high rise residences? In several neighborhoods in my district, residents are concerned about lack of street parking because their neighbors are running chop houses from their garages, or just having several adults in a single-family home with each having a car. I would like to see something done about the businesses operating without benefit of license and enforcing other relevant codes for this situation, along with addressing the issue of adding vertical density without planning for the related addition of cars to the block.

Q20: Do you believe the 2010 Zoning Code adopted by City Council in 2010 has benefited all neighborhoods in Denver or some neighborhoods? Please cite examples.

No,

Examples:

It may have benefited some individuals.

Q21: What changes do you believe need to be made to the 2010 Zoning Code, if any, and why.

As a real estate broker, I represented a couple who couldn't sell their home due to the new zoning code. Their block was designated in such a way no one wanted to live in the home and developers couldn't do anything with the once-desirable location.

Q22: Will you urge the Mayor and city officials to appoint representatives of residential neighborhood organizations to all city boards, commission, advisory committees, collaborative groups and task forces which consider planning and zoning issues. If so, describe the efforts you would take to ensure such appointments are made.

Yes,

Comment:

I will make recommendations and help publicize as openings arise.

Q23: INC has been advised that the Director of Community Planning and Development is recommending Blueprint Denver be revised and updated. Do you support such a recommendation and describe what process you would support to ensure neighborhood participation.

Yes,

Comment:

Blueprint Denver has some great plans for my District and it is way behind schedule. Infrastructure reinforcement is desperately needed. Main arteries are now carrying traffic that was never planned for and streets are now parking lots as a result. Most individuals do not understand how zoning impacts their lives. I would want to post any hearing notices to all social media outlets and in my district notices get posted on yard signs.

Q24: Please describe your vision of "smart growth" for the City of Denver in ten words or less. The vision should capture stakeholder expectations of your anticipated leadership on City Council.

Development must first benefit people already living in the district with jobs and amenities.

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Q25: . Entertainment districts which extend the hours for alcohol to be served, often until 4:00 a.m., have been adopted in a few cities throughout Colorado. Would you support an entertainment district in certain areas in Denver? If so, where and until what time?

Yes,

Comment:

It makes sense to have a designated area for far-late night events, probably in a less-residential area. I'm not one to ask about a time as I'm usually in bed by 8pm!

Q26: Short term rentals, that is rentals for less than 30 days are now illegal in Denver residential neighborhoods. Do you support the adoption of an ordinance which would permit short term rentals in Denver residential neighborhoods. If not, why not. If you would support an ordinance to allow short term rentals in residential neighborhoods, please describe the process you would support, including the process for funding.

No,

Comment:

If this becomes legal, these homes should be treated the same as Bed & Breakfasts with same requirements for licensing, which would then also have an element of insurance coverage and maybe even a performance bond. These homes should be required to have active fire alarm monitoring and be subject to inspections for code just as B&Bs are, since they're just less charming versions of the B&B concept.