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Q1: What is your name please?

Tim Camarillo

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:

I believe that your City Council member should look at what is best for his or her District. If you know that ceratin business will fit into your community then you will be an advocate for bringing that business in. If you know that the business does not fit into your community's values or vision then you should fight for and recruit businesses that will add value to your community. In Northeast Denver Priority has been given to DIA and not in the neighborhoods of Green Valley Ranch, Montbello and Parkfield. I believe in the Trickle Up Theory. Build Small Business and Entrepreneurship from the ground up. Northeast Denver could become the model for Minority and Women Business if we choose to invest in publicprivate partnerships and if we provide the space and resources to make it happen.

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.

Comment:

I believe that education today is very important in the economic development of neighborhoods. I was an Early Childhood Educator who worked in Head Start, Public, Private and Corporate education programs and understand the value and importance of Education. Businesses look for a quality education for developing a workforce that is comfortable with technology. Northeast Denver has the potential to produce jobs not only at DIA, but in the neighborhoods of Montbello, Green Valley Ranch and Parkfield. We also have to have strong mentorship programs to encourage learning while providing opportunities to be a strong workforce. We must provide bridges for students to go directly into the workforce or the opportunity to go to a Trade School, College or University. If you look at the Denver Regional Equity Atlas you will see that DIA and Northeast have job opportunities for those with a High School Education. Preserving strong public neighborhood schools should include our public colleges and universities. These public centers offer opportunities for research and hand on projects tah can enhance business and community development.

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

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?

Yes,

Comment:

I am in favor of completing the designation of all undesignated Denver Parks. The question is how much progress has been made by the committee and what is the time frame now to complete the job. If we know these answers then we can proceed to the next steps in the process.

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?

Yes,

Comment:

The final decision should be made by the City Council member or members that will approve or disapprove the transfer of open space. Also look at the Resources Allocations and Priorities Plan (RAPP) June 2013

http://www.denvergov.org/portals/747/documents/policy/denver_rapp.report.pdf

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?

No.

Comment:

I think it should be equally acquired at both the center and at the periphery. I live in district 11 that might be considered on the periphery of the City and County of Denver. Montbello and Green Valley Ranch also need the acquisition of parkland to counter upcoming density at new Transit Oriented Development sites in Northeast Denver. if we do not equally distribute resources then we will be neglecting those periphery neighborhoods that need it.

PAGE 6: II. ACQUISITION OF PLAYING FIELDS AND A FESTIVAL SITE

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. Welllighted playing fields with bathrooms and parking outside of city parks are also required. Would you support the development of a Festival Site?

Yes.

Comment:

I believe that this new Festival site should be in Northeast Denver and placed adjacent to the Gaylord Events/Meeting Center. User fee's from the Festival site will provide critical dollars that would support the Denver Park and Recreation Department. The Festival site near the Gaylord Events Center will compliment each other in capturing tourism dollars while, providing a better quality of life to the residents of Denver, Aurora and Reunion.

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

Yes,

Comment:

A prime example of this is Dicks Sporting Goods in Commerce City. which has 24 fields surrounding the stadium that are used for team practice fields, both youth and adult soccer leagues, and match fields for numerous sports. I would argue in favor of placing Tennis Courts, Basketball Courts and other team practice and match fields in Northeast Denver. This would add recreational and preserving of open space that would counter density and would add value to the unique Suburban Denver neighborhoods of Montbello, Green Valley Ranch and Parkfield. Also look at the Denver Parks Designation Policy Draft:

http://www.denvergov.org/Portals/747/documents/policy/ParksDesignationPolicyDRAFT9-09.pdf

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,

Comment:

If contents are found not suitable then policy should be changed. Because of the salt content threat to the health of mature trees and possibly other vegetation. It is better to have an independent outlook on the situation.

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.

Comment: Only in an Advisory Role.

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

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?

No.

Comment:

I am in favor of user fee's to provide funding for these park and recreation projects and would only use a tax levy if other funding options are not available. Q16: If elected, would you support an increase to Public Works funding for discretionary projects in neighborhoods?

Yes

PAGE 12: Committment 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

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

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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:

The use of best practices is essential that include having a: 1. Clear Vision and Mission 2. Parking Philosophy 3. Strong Planning 4. Community Involvement 5. Organization 6. Staff Development 7. Safety, Security and Risk Management 8. Effective Communications 9. Consolidated Parking Programs 10. Strong Financial Planning 11. Creative, Flexible and Accountable Parking Management 12. Operational Efficiency 13. Comprehensive Facilities Maintenance Programs 14. Effective Use of Technology 15. Parking System Marketing and Promotion 16. Positive Customer Service Programs 17. Special Events Parking Programs 18. Effective Enforcement 19. Parking and Transportation Demand Management 20. Awareness of Competitive Environment I was involved in the Downtown Hayden Parking Study and understand the social and technical issues involved in an parking analysis.

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.

Yes,

Examples:

Denver Business Journal Article that gives good insight on the benefits http://www.bizjournals.com/denver/print-edition/2012/06/29/denvers-new-zoning-code-delivers.html?page=all

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

None at this time.

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.

No,

Comment:

RNO's should be an advisory board to your local Denver City member at for your At-Large City Council members. This will give you an advisory role in local planning efforts.

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:

Yes it should be updated every 10 years.

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.

Community Involvement, Transportation, Preserving Space, Placemaking, Design, Mixed Land Use.

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: 24 Hours

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.

Yes.

Comment:

Apply Lodgers tax to these rentals, regulate and apply user fees to help in administration and regulation cost and to use a portion of this money to be applied to a Affordable Housing Trust Fund to be used in funding affordable housing opportunities.