

1. What practical experience and accomplishments qualify you for the position you are seeking?

I have served 8 terms (16 years) as an elected Council member for Tsleil-Waututh Nation. During that tenure I held the Community Development portfolio and as a Council we built a Family & Child Development Centre, started a school on the path to certification, started down the path of fulfilling our need for an Administration/Health Centre building, created housing for our people – with still more to come; was instrumental in the initial stages of our work protecting Burrard Inlet – including our Stewardship Policy and opposing TMX project.

The skill set I bring is the ability to create safe space to discuss the hard issues and work to find solutions that benefit all. My experience in building positive working relationships with provincial & federal level will serve DNV well.

2. What three major issues are you most concerned about in the DNV, and how can they be addressed?

Traffic congestion – working with CNV & DNV, including the Province & Federal government, we need to create solutions together. Increase transit options – more frequent runs during peak hours; B-Lines across the North Shore; car-sharing and creative ride-sharing options; rapid transit across the bridges

Affordable housing – create more rental housing units; create a streamlined process for homeowners to renovate or add lane-way housing options to their properties. Again, working with other levels of governments to create affordable units so all who work in North Vancouver can find a home.

Gap between local government & constituents – I feel there is a disconnect between Council & communities and we can be creative to find new & old-fashioned ways of connecting. We can use modern technology to reach out to each other and/or “talks around the kitchen table” within communities.

3. What role do you think community associations should play?

Community associations should be a conduit for communication between a local government and the community they represent. I believe could work together to find avenues of communication that would suit the community & it’s neighbours. For important matters though, there is nothing like sitting around the table having respectful discussions.

4. What is your understanding of the terms “non-market” and “affordable” housing?

I understand “non-market” to be units that are below market rental rates, and not priced so high as to discourage low-income earners to be able to live here. “Affordable” housing is the ability for homeowners/renters to stay within 30% of total household income.

5. What is your position on subsidizing housing of any type?

I believe it is an important aspect in creating solutions to this housing crises we are in across the North Shore. Our experience at Tsleil-Waututh, working with CMHC has proven beneficial for our people, and still we require more units.

6. What should the District’s role be relating to subsidized housing?

We should be working with the Province and Feds to create plans to ease housing units for all citizens. District staff should be able to research and put forward viable strategies to alleviate the stress on finding/creating affordable rental units and to streamline processes for homeowners to renovate homes for secondary suite or add laneway housing to their properties.

7. Will you support a full public review of the OCP in 2019?

I will support & follow process of the Monitoring committee, as there is due diligence in following process & procedure. I am prepared to be a part of a Council that will be open & transparent with DNV constituents.

8. Under what circumstances are you willing to relinquish publicly owner or public assembly zoned lands?

I believe public lands should be as is, public. We all choose to live here for the beauty & opportunity & as elected leadership we should ensure that all citizens benefit from the use of public lands.

9. Are you willing to defer further development until the required transportation infrastructure is in place?

This is a tough question, I feel that there has to be a concerted effort to balancing the development + transportation infrastructure. Elected council should be creating opportunities for dialogue. Again, we all choose to live here & we all should be a part of the planning of our communities.

10. What is your view on mobility pricing?

No response.

11. What is your view on how effective the proposed B-Line will be?

No response.

12. What is the source of your campaign funding?

Friends and relatives.

13. What is your position on density bonuses or density transfers?

No response.