

1. There is a need in Calgary for more housing including more low cost housing. I would support requiring a percentage of non-market units in each new development and some limits on rent increases. The province is responsible for making decisions regarding who qualifies for rent subsidies. I would also push Council for better public transit - more accessible and efficient. With better public transportation Calgarians in the inner city as well as those in the suburbs would be better connected.
2. I am eager to take a leadership role and implement the Calgary Transportation Plan (GoPlan) and its principles of balance growth strategy. It is VERY important to implement the plan correctly. We need more LRT cars and a west extension. I have many ideas such as a ring LRT to connect Mount Royal College to other LRT lines.
3. I would support a tax deferral plan like the one Alnoor Kassam is proposing so that seniors can remain in their homes. I believe that a better public transportation system would mitigate some of the problems. However, I do think that inner city rates need to reflect market value.
4. I have helped design some of the bike paths and I use them for commuting and recreation. I believe strongly in the 3Rs - Recycle, Reduce, and Reuse. I support the City's proposed recycling plan but, there are challenges in the implementation. I'm also sensitive to the small businesses, which have had successful recycling in Calgary for a number of years. I would want the City to consult with or hire many of these small business owners to help with the implementation and running of the city wide recycling program.
5. I support democratic reform that increases voter choice. I think the second and third place mayoralty candidates should have a position on Council. I support informing voters by having community groups organize more public forums where candidates could debate the key issues. I would also like to see each candidate, in approximately twenty words, explain their position on key issues on the ballot. Election financing is also very important but the system needs to be changed. I support the financing of election campaigns at the municipal level with the same financial scrutiny of federal and provincial elections. I would also like donors to election campaigns to be published on the internet thereby providing easy access for the public to see how the various campaigns have been financed. If

these and other ideas were implemented the people would have more say. Calgarians deserve a real say in their government and a real choice on the ballot.