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Q1

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Q4

To reach our collective potential, we must work together to build up Ottawa. That requires a council in which each member commits to city wide leadership. What is your intended approach to collaboration with council, city staff and economic partners?

As a member of the City Council, which is responsible for the city as a whole, I will consider the needs of all neighborhoods and collaborate with my fellow councillors as well as the mayor, to advance all Ottawa's needs consistent with-it being Canada's Capital. As an elected representative of the residents of Kanata North to the City Council, I will always be mindful that I represent their interests and their priorities. Consequently, I will not support initiatives that go against the interests of those I represent.

During my career as a professional and a public servant, I have learned to respect the expertise and knowledge of those in charge of carrying on the burden of implementing the Council 's decision. So, I will seek their advice, listen to their opinions and take them into consideration in making my decisions.

I consider the business community to be an important partner in the endeavor to make Ottawa a great Capital. We need to actively support each other in order to achieve mutual prosperity. It is my conviction that the City has to take into consideration the needs of the business community in its decisions, and the business community has to contribute and be involved in the City's future, in order for everyone to be successful.

Q5

What key characteristics and skills do you possess that make you a great leader and ambassador for the city of Ottawa, and the national capital region?

My career path spanned both the private and public service. While the former taught me about the economic requirements of businesses to prosper, the latter taught me how to achieve results in a place where politics, policies, procedures, regulations and bureaucracy often wins over innovation and risk-taking. Working as Chief Financial Management Advisor for Canada Border Services Agency, I have learned the art of negotiation and I have brokered many deals between seemingly irreconcilable positions, while navigating through the rigid path of bureaucracy.

As many generations of immigrants before me, I started from zero with a dream, which I worked hard to achieve, and I am proud to say that I have succeeded.

As a manager in the public service, I am working diligently to maximize my contribution and to ensure that all projects I manage are successful. As a councillor, I will work to deliver the services that our residents deserve, need and want on a daily basis, and contribute to the creation of a vision for Ottawa fitting as the Nation's Capital.

I am a certified professional accountant with advanced knowledge and experience in financial management. I am also an experienced manager of both people and projects. On a personal level, I am a hard worker and perseverant individual who strives to achieve objectives and works well with others.

Q6

What are your top three priorities for Ottawa's future?

1. Establish a long-term vision for Ottawa's development.

We have to ensure that all new projects and initiatives will advance us towards to the realization of that vision. We should not be afraid to innovate, or shy to inspire ourselves from others' successes, or be overly confident to listen to all points of view.

2. Strengthen the partnership with the Federal and Provincial Governments to find new ways to work together on solutions to the specific problems facing Ottawa, as the National Capital. The new Council will have the opportunity to press the reset button for a renewed, collaborative and productive relationship with our key partners.

3. While working on the foundation of our future, we must not forget to properly address our current needs, including public transit, the safety of our neighborhoods, and the responsible management of our limited resources.

Q7

Yes, I would like to attend.

Are you able to attend the All Candidates Meet & Greet at the Shaw Centre on September 23, 2022 - 7:30 to 9:30 am. We are extending a complimentary ticket for you. Additional tickets can be purchased at ottawabot.ca.
