



SDLC Questionnaire for City Council Candidates

This questionnaire was designed for candidates running for Saskatoon City Council. It provides an opportunity for candidates to communicate their positions on issues that are important to workers in Saskatoon. Once the questionnaire is filled out, the responses will be graded by the Political Action Committee of the Saskatoon & District Labour Council (SDLC). Each question will be weighed equally and candidates will be given a mark out of 100 to indicate the extent to which the candidate's positions align with the positions of the SDLC. Your responses will be posted on the SDLC website and your overall score will be communicated to union members across the city. Your completed questionnaire should be sent to David McGrane and Charles Smith at david.mcgrane@usask.ca and csmith@stmcollege.ca no later than Labour Day (September 5th, 2016).

- 1) The City of Saskatoon provides vital public services to its citizens. What public services need to be strengthened through the injection of new financial resources? How would you propose to pay for better public services in Saskatoon?
- 2) What is your view of privatization of public services? Would you reverse the services that have been privatized by previous city governments?
- 3) What could the City of Saskatoon do to improve its relationship with its employees? How can the collective bargaining rights of City of Saskatoon employees be better protected?
- 4) What can the City of Saskatoon do to provide safe and affordable housing? How can we ensure that marginalized residents have a say in community and social planning?
- 5) What role do you see for the City of Saskatoon to improve around economic development?
- 6) What specific initiatives would you propose to move Saskatoon to a low-carbon economy and reduce our greenhouse gas emissions?
- 7) What can the City of Saskatoon do to promote reconciliation between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Canadians?
- 8) If you are an existing councilor, what is one decision you have made over the past 4 years which best demonstrates your leadership and commitment to Saskatoon residents?

Please keep your responses to 200 words or less per question..