

SNS Candidate Questionnaire

1. Do you agree with North Saanich's regional role, as set out in the [Regional Growth Strategy](#)? If so, will you vote to uphold and protect this role?

Yes, I agree with North Saanich's regional role, as set out in the [Regional Growth Strategy](#) and will vote to uphold and protect this role.

2. Would you vote to expand the urban containment boundary to include parts of North Saanich, now or in the future?

No. Not now. Not ever.

3. Do you believe the housing targets the Province set for North Saanich were appropriate?

No. I support North Saanich's role under the RGS. Our role is not to supply housing. A minimum of 95% of the region's new dwelling units to 2038 are to be within the Urban Containment Policy Area. North Saanich is outside of the UCPA.

2038 RGS Targets:

1.1 Keep Urban Settlement Compact

1.2 Protect the Integrity of Rural Communities.

4. Do you support more residential density than that which is set out in the current OCP?

No.

5. The schools on the peninsula are filled to capacity, the hospital is closed overnight, and Panorama is packed to the gills. If you are in favour of allowing density in excess of what is presently set out in the OCP, what should be done to do to alleviate the pressure on services and infrastructure on the peninsula? And who pays for it?

I am not in favour of increasing density that is in excess of what is presently set out in our OCP.

6. The current OCP had to be drafted to comply with the housing targets. As a result, it permits much more density than the previous OCP. If the housing targets are repealed, would you consider reducing allowable density the next time the OCP is considered? If so, in what way?

Yes, I would consider reducing densities. I would support reducing multifamily housing while keeping accessory residential options that give homeowners flexibility, along with some ground-oriented housing for seniors. We need practical housing options while protecting North Saanich's rural character.

7. If David Eby somehow ekes a win on October 24 and the provincial government imposes a Ministerial Order or other coercive measure which interferes with local land use planning, would you vote to take all available steps to oppose such interference, up to and including legal challenge?

Yes. I would vote to consider all options – legal advice, pursuing legal action or a judicial review, whatever steps are necessary

rather than simply accepting the outcome. We don't have to go this alone. There are many other municipalities in the same position, and there is strength in numbers.

8. What do you do for a living? If you're retired, what did you do before retirement?

I am semi-retired. I had a 37 year career in the telecommunications industry with BC Tel/TELUS, initially in administration and then as a technician. In addition to being a District of North Saanich Councillor, I work part time with my husband supporting seniors in a retirement home.

9. With the exception of folks who are in the trades and on the tools¹, do you or any member of your family (spouse, parents, children, siblings) benefit financially from the residential development industry?

No.

10. Are you or any member of your family (parents, children, siblings, spouse) presently seeking to subdivide or rezone any property in North Saanich? What about in the next four years?

No.

11. If you answered anything but "no" to questions 9 and 10, how will you keep this from influencing your decisions if you are elected to

¹ By this we mean working with materials at a job site, as opposed to supervising, acting as a GC, consulting, etc.

council? (For reference, here's [Policy No. COU-014: Code of Ethics and Conduct for Council](#))

N/A

12. Do you or your spouse own more than one piece of property in North Saanich? (Zoned residential or otherwise)

No

13. Do you think “engagement” for bylaws and policies relating to land use should include any person who is not a resident of North Saanich?

Absolutely not. Our community should be shaped by our residents, not those from outside of North Saanich who may have their own vested interests.

14. Should it include external organizations? (UDI, VRBA, etc)

Absolutely not.

15. The commissions have been suspended for months. If elected, will you immediately vote to reinstate them?

Yes. Guaranteed, 100%. Our committees are an invaluable asset to our community and Council's decision making process.

16. Are you in favour of building housing on the portions of the Sandown lands owned by the District?

No

17. Do you think that land presently zoned for agriculture should be considered for development if it is not being actively farmed?

No

18. Are you in favour of maintaining open burning in North Saanich, during the appropriate season and on days with a good venting index?

Yes. Open burning is part of rural life, but I acknowledge the smoke and health concerns. I would also like to see the green waste facility open more hours to give residents another option for managing yard waste.

19. How do you feel about roosters?

Roosters are a part of rural life, but there needs to be reasonable limits to respect neighbours and manage noise. We can protect our rural character while being considerate of those who live around us.

