

# 2019 IVI-IPO CHICAGO ALDERMAN QUESTIONNAIRE

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From within your Word processor, please answer all questions in Part I (Instructions and Candidate Details) and Part II (Issue Questionnaire). This questionnaire uses special formatting features: please see the specific instructions below for each type of question.

#### Question Type: Yes/No and Short Answer

- Please click within the appropriate box to mark your answer for each yes/no question.
- If you wish to add comments to a yes/no question, or if elaboration is requested, you may click within the gray rectangle directly below the question text (next line, flush-left) to type your answer. The rectangle will expand to accommodate the length of your entry.
- by adding a paragraph return at the end of the question and typing your comments in the same cell as the question. Use such comments only when clarification is necessary.

#### Question Type: Select Choice(s), rank choices, etc.

- These begin with a prompt (e.g., “I am a member of the following groups:”) then ask you variously to “select one” or “select all that apply” or “rank from 1 highest to 4 lowest”). If you wish to elaborate, you may click within the gray rectangle directly below the question text (next line, flush-left) to add text.

#### Question Type: Essay

- Click within the gray rectangle directly below the question text (next line, flush-left) to type your answer. The rectangle will expand to accommodate the length of your entry. Please answer the questions at the length you deem sufficient. It is OK if your comments cause tables, etc., to shift pages.

### ***Saving and Naming Your Questionnaire***

Please follow the form detailed below exactly. Your questionnaire was downloaded to your computer as a Microsoft Word file (docx) with a generic name that identifies the office for which you are running. After you complete your questionnaire, but before submitting, you must save your questionnaire as a PDF file and give it a new name to which you will append your personal name and the election year as specified below.

#### General Form:

- If you were running for a suburban mayor’s office, your downloaded file (doc) name would be: Mayor\_SUB\_f
- You must save-as a PDF file (.pdf) and replace the “f” part of the downloaded file name with your last and first name and add the election year.
- Use capitals for the first letter of your last and first name and lowercase for the rest.

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### Specific Example:

- Suburban Mayor candidate Elizabeth Rias would rename the Mayor\_SUB\_f file to:  
Mayor\_SUB\_RiasElizabeth2019

*If you are familiar with file saving routines, you may skip the step-by-step instructions below.*

### Step-by-Step Instructions for saving as a PDF file and personalizing your questionnaire file name:

1. Open your completed questionnaire in your word processor.
2. From the FILE menu, select "Save a Copy" (or "Save As").
  - 2.1. In the dialogue box that appears, find the pull-down list that shows the file type. It will show .doc or .docx.
  - 2.2. Click on the small triangle within the file-type box and select the "PDF" (.pdf) option from the menu.
  - 2.3. BEFORE selecting the "save" or "export as" option (varies depending on your computer platform set-up), rename your file.
  - 2.4. You will see the generic questionnaire title in a fill-in box (e.g. Mayor\_SUB\_f) with the first word identifying the office for which you are a candidate and the second indicating the jurisdiction (in the example, Mayor, suburban) followed by an underscore and the letter "f."
  - 2.5. Click on the generic name field to highlight the name.
  - 2.6. Then, click just after the END of the generic title (so that the entire file title is no longer highlighted but the field is active).
  - 2.7. Backspace once to eliminate the "f."
  - 2.8. Type your last name then first name, using appropriate capitals and lower-case letters (no space necessary: e.g., JohnsonJuan).
  - 2.9. Add 2019 (the election year).
  - 2.10. **Your file name should look like this (but with your specific office and name):**  
Mayor\_SUB\_JohnsonJuan2019
3. BEFORE SELECTING "Save" look to be sure you are saving the file to the location you want (if you need to change the location, click on the file path and navigate to the location you wish to save the file (e.g., your desktop, a specific folder, etc.)
4. Make sure you remember this location: this is the location you must navigate to when you attach your file to an e-mail and submit to the IVI-IPO.

### **Submitting Your Completed Questionnaire to the IVI-IPO**

- Your properly named PDF file (see above) completed questionnaire should be attached to an e-mail and sent to: : [iviipopac@gmail.com](mailto:iviipopac@gmail.com).

***Please go to the next page to begin your questionnaire.***

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## Part II: Candidate Contact Information

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\*Answers to Part II questions with an asterisk\* will be redacted prior to public distribution.

1.	DATE:	12/10/18
2.	NAME:	Rebecca Janowitz
3.	WARD:	43 <sup>rd</sup> Ward
4.	PARTY AFFILIATION:	Democrat
5.	VOTING ADDRESS*:	
6.	MAIN PERSONAL PHONE*:	
7.	BUSINESS PHONE*:	
8.	CAMPAIGN PHONE	312 825 9741
9.	CAMPAIGN FAX:	
10.	PERSONAL EMAIL*:	
11.	CAMPAIGN ADDRESS:	1 E Schiller, Chicago, IL, 60610
12.	CAMPAIGN WEBSITE	RebeccaJanowitz.com
13.	CAMPAIGN MANAGER:	Dwain Borders
14.	CAMPAIGN MANAGER PHONE:	803 800 7893
15.	CAMPAIGN MANAGER EMAIL:	dbvier@gmail.com

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<b>16.</b>	How many petition signatures were you required to file? 473
<b>17.</b>	How many petition signatures did you file? 1,200
<b>18.</b>	Elective or appointive, public or party, offices previously held ( <i>including dates</i> ). None
<b>19.</b>	Other elective offices for which you have been a candidate. None
<b>20.</b>	What is your primary occupation? Lawyer and civil servant
<b>21.</b>	Briefly list your civic activities of the past ten years. I have worked with several municipal and county agencies, including working for the Chicago Public School System, Cook County Sherrif's office, and the Cook County Justice Advisery Council A large portion of my work has been with former prisoners and at-risk youth, where I worked to provide them with job training and education so they can be productive members of society.
<b>22.</b>	What experience have you had which will be most helpful to you in the office you seek? I believe my work in civic life throughout my career, whether it be representing indigent clients in court or working in prisoner rehabilitation, will make me a responsive alderman. During the last 40 years I have spent in public life in one capacity or another, I have come in contact with people from nearly all walks of life, and as such, I have come to understand what people look for in their elected officials.
<b>23.</b>	Please list any candidates have you supported in past elections and specify your role in each campaign. Toni Preckwinkle - Volunteer and donor Jackie Traynere - Volunteer and donor Lori Lightfoot - Volunteer and donor Nancy Rotering - Volunteer and donor
<b>24.</b>	Which candidate, if any, are you supporting for Mayor? Toni Preckwinkle
<b>25.</b>	Please list all endorsements you have received. Jackie Traynere - Will County Board Member Sharyln Grace - Chicago Community Bond Fund
<b>26.</b>	Who are your top 5 contributors and how much has each contributed to your campaign? Aaron Collard - \$5,600 Nancy Rotering - \$1,000 Daniel Silverfarb - \$1,000 Lanetta Haynes Turner - \$750 Robert Mindell - \$500

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<b>27.</b>	Please concisely state (a) why you feel you should be endorsed over the other candidate(s) and (b) what goals for the office you seek are most important to you personally? Out of everyone who is running to be the Alderman of the 43 <sup>rd</sup> Ward, I'm the only one with a proven track record of supporting an independent approach to politics that serves the needs of the community rather than the needs of special interests.
<b>28.</b>	What is your campaign budget and (b) how much have you raised to date? Our campaign budget is \$100,000. Do date, we have raised \$30,000
<b>29.</b>	How many paid staffers and (b) how many volunteers do you have on your campaign? 3 paid staffers. About 15 volunteers

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#### City Council Reform and Ethics

Yes/No			
	YES	NO	
30.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will you employ or have you employed staff, in your office who hold other public sector jobs concurrently?
31.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you in favor of procedures to ensure that privatization arrangements are not being used to move patronage workers outside of the scope of anti-patronage rules or protocols?
32.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support an ordinance that bars city employees and elected and appointed officials from taking on any outside employment, or other responsibility for which they receive compensation, which conflicts with the city's interests?
33.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will you employ or have you employed staff, in your office who have either outside employment or contracts with entities which do business with the City?
34.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote for an ordinance mandating that the City contest unemployment claims by former employees who were fired for cause? Yes, but only if it is absolutely necessary.
35.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote for an ordinance forbidding the City to hire or contract the services of anyone previously fired for cause from the City or any other unit of government? That would ultimately depend on the length of time, the cause for termination, and evidence of rehabilitation, especially if they have gone to prison.
36.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you joined, or will you join the Progressive Reform Caucus?
37.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support changing the state statute to return to filling aldermanic vacancies by special election, rather than Mayoral appointment?
38.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote for an ordinance requiring redistricting of the wards to be based on non-partisan criteria and not to benefit any specific individual or political party?
39.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support a limit of two 4-year terms for Mayor?

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Yes/No			
	YES	NO	
40.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will you or have you accepted campaign donations from people or businesses seeking zoning changes in your ward?

Select all that apply			
41.	<b>Do you support an ordinance banning contributions in any amount from:</b>		
41 a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	city vendors and contractors?	
41 b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	entities seeking licenses, permits or zoning changes?	
41 c.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	registered lobbyists?	

Essay:	
42.	<p>Should the Inspector General be authorized to independently initiate his or her own investigations of Alderman, in the absence of a complaint from someone outside of the Inspector General's office. Please explain your position.</p> <p>Yes, independent oversight is a necessary and vital part of tackling corruption within our city government. If elected, I would support measures that strengthen the investigative powers of the Inspector General's office.</p>
43.	<p>Do you support public financing of municipal campaigns? Please explain your position.</p> <p>I do believe that Public Financing is something that should be looked at closely, and all of its costs and benefits should be fully fleshed out. However, until that happens, I am not willing to make a commitment to Public Financing of campaigns just yet.</p>

## Revenue and Budget

Yes/No			
44.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support a progressive City income tax for Chicago? I do, however, support a statewide progressive income tax.
45.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you institute participatory budgeting to allow ward residents to vote on discretionary spending in your ward? Yes, but all the implication
46.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support creation of a public bank for Chicago? Should the city be financially able to create such a bank, I will support the creation of a public investment bank where city funds are used to support local businesses while at the same time bringing in much needed revenue. I strongly support, however, of having the Post Office provide basic banking services to under served area and I believe the city of Chicago should do

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Yes/No			
			everything in its power to ensure the federal government enacts such legislation.
47.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote to hire independent analysts to conduct a forensic audit of past City spending?

Choose One		
48.	<b>Should discretionary funds for ward services and infrastructure improvements be allocated:</b>	
48 a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	in equal amounts to each ward
48 b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	based on the size of each ward
48 c.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	based on the needs of each ward
48 c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other-please specify

Select all that apply		
49.	<b>Will you vote for a budget ordinance which would require:</b>	
49 a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	public questioning of city department heads concerning their departments' specific budget requests?
49 b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	making budget copies available to the public 30 days in advance of hearings?
49 c.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	restoring city-wide community group budget hearings several months prior to the publication of the budget, as were held under the Washington and Sawyer administrations?

Essay	
50.	What measures will you vote for to reform the city pension plan and ensure its solvency? First and foremost, I would stop TIF programs that have taken up so much money without providing any real, long term policy benefit to the city and its residents. Second, I advocate for a more efficient budget in which the needs of the community are directly addressed without resorting to wasteful spending.
51.	What additional revenue sources, if any, would you propose? I advocate for Chicago to take part in the creation of a statewide graduated income tax, bringing desperately needed funds that allows us to address issues associated with numerous public services, such as education and pensions. Furthermore, I support review and overhauling "Sin Taxes", including alcohol, cigarettes, sugary beverages, and, should it become legal, marijuana.

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Essay	
	However, this has to be done in a manner in which the tax revenue generated by them is efficient and equitable.

### Planning, Zoning, Economic Development, and Privatization

Yes/No			
52.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote to terminate a TIF if the objectives of the TIF plan have been accomplished before the 23-year period is ended?
53.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote to return unspent and uncommitted TIF funds on an annual basis to the various taxing bodies?
54.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support a moratorium on creation of any new TIF districts until new funding sources are identified to replace the revenue diverted to the TIF?
55.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote to invest substantially more in job-training and the creation of transitional job programs in disadvantaged communities, including the formerly incarcerated, homeless, youth, and non-English speakers?
56.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support the Fair Workweek Chicago Ordinance which would give employees greater control over their schedules?
57.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support the Development for All Ordinance which would eliminate "in lieu of" fees and require developers to include 30% affordable units on site? There are properties that are simply not appropriate for affordable housing. I do not support a blanket requirement that forces affordable housing in every property. Instead, I support measures that support affordable housing on a large and diversified scale that creates new housing near businesses and mass transit, while at the same time preserves the current affordable housing units the city has.
58.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	"Will you support guarantees that some of the foreclosed properties saved through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program are made affordable to families at 40% and 60% of the Area Median Income?
59.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support policies to ensure that there is an adequate supply of affordable family sized units available to families in the Section 8 program?
60.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote to privatize Chicago's water delivery system?
61.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support privatization of Midway Airport?

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Yes/No			
62.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>Will you vote for an ordinance requiring independent analysis and evaluation of any lease or outsourcing arrangement at least 30 days prior to any City Council vote.</p> <p>An independent analysis of any and all leases will prove to be an expensive undertaking, and there are numerous leases that can be investigated with current city resources. However, large scale and unusual leases should have an independent analysis.</p>

Select all that apply:			
63.	<b>Do you support any of the following to be built in your ward?</b>		
63 a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>low income rental housing that is affordable to those at 15% to 30% of the Area Median Income?</p> <p>I would support low income rental projects if they are of sufficient quality, are well desepered, and do no represent any potential loss of value to local residents.</p>	
63 b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<p>supportive housing for people overcoming addiction and other problems which contribute to homelessness?</p> <p>Yes, if they are properly managed by an acceptable governing body.</p>	
63 c.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>shelters for the homeless?</p> <p>However, I do strongly support quality transitional housing in lieu of shelters.</p>	

Choose one			
64.	<b>Which standard should the City use to define affordable housing?</b>		
64 a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Area Median Income of Chicago	
64 b.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Area Median Income of the Community Area	

Essay	
65.	<p>Which city services or assets, if any, do you believe should be privatized and what is your criteria?</p> <p>As of now, I don't believe any city services or assets should be privatized.</p>
66.	<p>What criteria do you or will you use in determining whether or not to grant a zoning change or variance?</p> <p>It should be based on the direct needs of the community, rather than the wants and wishes of developers.</p>
67.	<p>How do you propose to replace property tax revenue for CPS and other taxing bodies that is lost to TIF development?</p> <p>I propose the complete elimination of TIFs. TIFs were a policy proposal that appeared to be a good idea on paper, but ultimately end up serving no real benefit to the city. As such, I would</p>

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Essay	
	support their replacement with another form of incentive that would spur development in the city while also providing actual benefits to its residents.

### Housing

Yes/No			
68.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support guarantees that some of the foreclosed properties saved through the Neighborhood Stabilization Program are made affordable to families at 40% and 60% of Area Median Income?
69.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	If the General Assembly repeals the pre-emption of rent control consideration by local government, would you support some form of rent control for covered units of rental housing in Chicago? There is simply no empirical evidence that rent control works. Increasing the available affordable housing supply has proven to be a much more effective means of controlling rent prices than actual Rent Control Measures imposed from above.
70.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support the Homes for All Ordinance which would establish an automatic approval process for affordable housing applications if not acted upon within 90 days? I would need to know more about the staffing level for the process that approves affordable housing applications before I can answer this question.

### Schools

Yes/No			
71.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will you support a city-wide lottery for enrollment in magnet schools?
72.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support Local School Councils (LSCs) in maintaining full powers, and support them through adequate funding levels that provide training and support for LSCs to do their jobs?
73.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support a moratorium on school closings until a detailed analysis of the impacts of shuffling children is completed, and a real plan to address the quality of education and safety for every child is in place?

Select all that apply	
74.	Will you support an ordinance requiring every school to have a:
74 a.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> full-time nurse?

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Select all that apply		
<b>74.</b>	<b>Will you support an ordinance requiring every school to have a:</b>	
<b>74 b.</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	full-time social worker?
<b>74 c.</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	full-time librarian?

Choose one		
<b>75.</b>	<b>Which of the following options for choosing the School Board do you support?</b>	
<b>75 a.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Popular Election
<b>75 b.</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mayoral appointment from nominations made by community representatives
<b>75 c.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Maintaining the current system of Mayoral appointment
<b>75 d.</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	A mix of elected and appointed members

### Environment

Yes/No			
<b>76.</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you oppose disposal of contaminated dredging sediment from the Cal-Sag Channel within Chicago city limits?
<b>77.</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you consult with neighborhood residents before approving permits that could affect air or water quality?

### Parks

Yes/No			
<b>78.</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support park prioritization of land acquisition and capital improvements first to those neighborhoods which are underserved by existing facilities?
<b>79.</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support election of the Chicago Park District Board?

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### Transportation

Yes/No			
80.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote to increase the City subsidy to the CTA?

Rank from 1 <sup>st</sup> to last preference (1, first – 4, last)		
81.	<b>Please indicate which CTA expansion plans, if any, you support and rank them in order of priority.</b>	
81 a.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Red Line south to 130th Street
81 b.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Orange Line to Ford City Mall
81 c.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Downtown-O'Hare Express First
81 d.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other – please specify I would support an over all CTA expansion. However, at the moment, I'm more concerned with improved the CTA's services as well as having better coordiantion with other public transit bodies.

### Criminal Justice

Yes/No:			
82.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support re-allocating police services from low-crime to high-crime neighborhoods?
83.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you vote for more funding for alternative crime prevention programs such as Cease Fire?
84.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Will you support an ordinance codifying the provisions of the Consent Decree regarding the duties and accountability of school resource officers?
85.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do you support the proposed Civilian Police Accountability Council (CPAC) Ordinance?

Essay	
86.	<p>Please discuss 911 service in your ward: are there inequities, is response time adequate. If so, how the service be improved.</p> <p>The problems facing the ward are problems that Chicago as a whole is facing: response times need to be improved, the police and dispatchers need better technology to locate emergency callers, and, perhaps most important of all, the dispatchers need the training to know exactly what the response should be to an emergency call. Currently, while dispatchers are trained in</p>

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Essay	
	emergency response logistics, they need to also be further trained in crisis response as well. Not all emergency calls are the same, and all dispatchers need to have diverse training to know how to properly handle each call.

## Civil Rights

Yes/No:			
87.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support affirmative action based on race, gender and sexual orientation in establishing criteria for hiring and promoting public employees?
88.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you support affirmative action as a criteria in letting city contracts?
89.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you favor restructuring the wage scale of city employees to institute gender-equal pay for jobs of comparable worth?

## Aldermanic Priorities

Essay	
90.	<p>What are your top priorities for the Ward?</p> <p>The 43rd ward merits a responsive, full service ward office that assists residents from all walks of life. Moreover, the 43rd Ward should be an advocate for a better governed city that directly tackles the most pressing issues facing the city today. The 43rd Ward is uniquely positioned to provide informed expertise on a range of issues, and Alderman should take advantage of the full range of the local knowledge.</p>
91.	<p>What is your long-range plan for development of the ward?</p> <p>My job is to foster cooperation between public and private entities so as to spur development within the community and give the neighborhood access to numerous amenities, while at the same time making sure that 1.) no one in the ward is displaced because of the development and 2.) the developments will ultimately be to the benefit of the residents, not just to the benefit of developers. As such, I will attempt to bring in as much public oversight into projects into the ward as much as possible, and I will work to foster debate within the community about what our needs are and what is the best way we can achieve those needs.</p>
92.	<p>How will you involve ward residents in planning?</p> <p>I am a firm believer in the power of public forums and citizen advisory councils. , and they will be key in expanding the ward's residents' role in public and private projects around our community. I further intend on publicizing the details of a proposed development as soon they are available so the residents of the ward have the proper amount of time needed to fully scrutinize the project and decide whether or not it is good for the community.</p>
93.	<p>How will you work with community groups and residents on City matters?</p>

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	<p>The 43<sup>rd</sup> ward has a great amount of untapped potential, and has a local knowledge that is not typically available in other areas. As such, I will employ an open door policy for all community groups, and I would welcome any and all comments and inputs from the community. Furthermore, I will also task my staff with seeking all relevant community groups, and ask them for their knowledge and opinions on particular city matters that directly affects the ward.</p>
94.	<p>Do you intend to hold employment other than alderman? If so, what employment do you intend to hold and how will you divide your time between your aldermanic duties and your other occupation (please note the minimum hours per week you will spend performing your aldermanic duties)?</p> <p>I do not intend to hold any other positions besides Alderman.</p>
95.	<p>Please describe your service office staffing plan, including the number of staff, full and part time, how you will pay for them, and the number of hours per week that your service office will be open.</p> <p>I plan on hiring four full time staff members, including a Chief of Staff, a Communications Director, a Policy Director, and a Community Issues Director. Due to the fact that city funds are adequate for this hiring plan, I will be using those funds in order to keep the ward office open for 40 hours a week.</p>

***Thank you for your participation!***