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Hi

Here is our response to your questions for council candidates, this will serve as our response for all six of our candidates. Please let me know you have received this?

We are looking forward to the forum on October 16th at Maywood school. What time does that start?

Thanks Joe Keithley

1) If elected to City Council what will you do to increase the supply of affordable housing in Burnaby for people on low income?

We would declare a moratorium on all demovictions in Burnaby. That way, we preserve what has not been destroyed already. We would supply cash and land to build affordable rental units in cooperation with the provincial and federal governments. We would work to revitalize the building of co-op housing in Burnaby.

2) If elected to City Council what will you do to increase the supply of affordable housing in Burnaby specifically for seniors on low income?

Seniors built this city and country and they need much better treatment than they are getting now from the BCA council. We would declare a moratorium on all demovictions in Burnaby. We would supply cash and land to build affordable rental units in cooperation with the provincial and federal governments. We would work to revitalize the building of co-op housing in Burnaby. Which is the same answer as question number one because housing for all people is intertwined.

3) If elected to City Council what bylaws and policies will you work to implement that will reduce and end homelessness in Burnaby?

It's a disgrace that the third biggest city in BC has no homeless shelters. A Green majority on city council would change that. We would help to directly build or facilitate building shelters on city owned land and work closely with homelessness advocates to seek the most practical solution. We would also use city resources to help people with their needs, while working closely with the provincial government to do the best we can. We understand, unlike Mayor Corrigan, that part of being a

Canadian is helping your fellow Canadian.

4) If elected to City Council what will you do to ensure that scattered sites of subsidized housing for people on low income are included within Burnaby?

Why wouldn't all citizens of Burnaby be included? If somebody needs help in housing subsidies, why would we not help them? The Green Party believes we need to work towards a guaranteed annual income. People are far better off when government realizes that all people can be part of the solution and not labeled as a "problem". The Burnaby Greens would be an activist, "people first" council.

5) The City currently has a policy of charging the public \$1.00 to access showers in City community centres. For homeless and other persons living in poverty and without access to shower facilities, this cost is not only a significant financial barrier but also poses health risks. If elected, will you move on removing this unnecessary cost?

The shower charge is a discriminatory policy, we would dismantle that policy immediately. We seek to make all community facilities free of charge, because we have all paid for them through various taxes. We all deserve to use them, no matter what one's income level is. Removing the charge for showers will also go a bit of the way towards bringing back dignity to all citizens.

6) If elected, what will you do to work toward ending homelessness in Burnaby?

I have stated our policies in this regard in previous answers. But, let me say this: Housing is a right, not a privilege

Thank you

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