

Calgary 2025 candidate survey

Response Summary

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Your name

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Participant Information

Name

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Location

Canada

Unknown

Platform

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Agent

iPhone

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Do you support citywide rezoning?

Yes

✓

No

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Based on your experience, rank these issues based on importance to your voters.

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Citywide rezoning

2

Public safety

3

City hall transparency

4

Affordability

5

Infrastructure

6

Housing

7

Property taxes

8

Better public transit

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Parks and open spaces

10

Roads

04

Do you support the use of property tax dollars for the downtown office-to-residential conversions? Why or why not?

I believe that the project has already completed some much needed housing however subsidizing major corporations or REITs is not ideal. A shift to economic development and creating more jobs likely is the way forward at this time.

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Do you believe the City of Calgary has a climate plan that will cost \$87 billion in city tax dollars to implement?

Yes

✓

No

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When was the last time you participated in a city council meeting in person?

I present to council regularly for International Avenue and stand by for questions. The last time was Feb, 2025 but the NOM was passed for BIA's and there was no questions. I regularly present at SDAB on land use matters and have twice in 2025.

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What role should the City of Calgary play in dealing with mental health and addiction?

This is a provincial responsibility. Communities First is getting back to basics with a focus on municipal responsibilities. Having said that, we would work with the provincial government to support our most vulnerable population and find solutions forward to ensure the safety of our streets.

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When you are making promises at the doors, are you informing voters on where the money will come from or what you will cut to make it happen?

✓ Yes.

No.

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Statement: The City of Calgary should continue building new communities on its outer fringe. Agree or disagree and why?

Disagree. Our city is approximately 853sq km of area and each new community requires infrastructure and amenities. This is draining our ability to fully run the City effectively.

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More, less or the same?

	MORE	LESS	SAME
Bike lanes			✓
Transit frequency	✓		
Pothole fixes	✓		
Public engagement	✓		
Density	✓		
Parks	✓		
Police officers	✓		
Trees	✓		
Fire service	✓		

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Choose the option that best represents your position on property taxes.

Increase by population growth + inflation.

Property tax cut.

Increase by inflation only.

✓ Fluctuate year to year based on needs.

No clue.

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What's the best alignment option for the downtown portion of Calgary's Green Line?

Elevated line.

Below ground.

✓ Whatever way the province will fund.

No downtown Green Line

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What role should the City of Calgary play, if any, in ensuring there is adequate, affordable starter housing stock, or rentals available for young Calgarians?

Housing is a federal and provincial responsibility and I would work to ensure we receive our fair share of funding. I am in support of attainable housing and 20% affordable in all new apartment builds etc. Plus looking at innovative ways to provide this necessary stock.

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On a scale from 1 to 5 (5 being of utmost importance), please rank the pursuit of these initiatives.

	1	2	3	4	5
Airport to DT rail			✓		
Green Line north			✓		
Olympics-like event	✓				
Net zero emissions by 2035			✓		
High speed rail to Edmonton		✓			
Prairie Economic Gateway			✓		
Foothills Multisport Fieldhouse			✓		
Calgary to Banff rail		✓			
West Village creosote remediation		✓			
Regional rail transit		✓			

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What would you do to improve the City of Calgary's public engagement?

Clearly public engagement is broken , a two question survey is not real engagement. Communities need to be consulted when impactful development or changes are planned. Bureaucrats should not be looking for the path of least resistance to get their agendas pushed through. Actual consultation with communities as I collaboratively did in the planning of 17 Ave SE is required. This could include open houses, comprehensive surveys, town halls, design charettes etc. to ensure proper stakeholder engagement.