



2025 Municipal Candidate Questionnaire

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(A) Your Candidacy

1. What would be your top three priorities if elected to serve?

To bring back common sense and a voice of reason to City government.
To improve the way we handle street and sidewalk repair
To get a new Burncoat High School/Middle school completed

2. What qualifies you to hold this office?

I am a lifelong resident of D-1, 59 years. I have held this office for 6 years in the past as well, 2011-2017. I understand the workings of the City.

3. What is the one policy you've seen pioneered in another city that you'd most like to adopt locally?

Cleanliness! Boston cleans its streets on a regular basis and it also notifies you, has signs for just that. Worcester is dirty.

(B) Open-Ended Policy Questions

1. Given state law, municipalities in Massachusetts are limited in their taxing power. What opportunities do you see for the city to raise revenue to support essential city services?

I would like to see the colleges and universities contribute to the tax base. If they contributed just a single digit percentage in taxes we add millions to our coffers.

2. What are your top priorities for ensuring that all students in your city can receive a high-quality public education?

Completing the last of the high schools, Burncoat.

3. What can your city do to help protect immigrant communities under attack from ICE and ensure genuine community safety?

The community is safe.

4. What are your top three policy priorities for making your city climate-resilient, and how would you ensure that equity is at the center of any such efforts?

I have been a part of the Worcester Tree Initiative in the past and have worked to see that hundreds of new trees get planted.

Until the distribution system is upgraded to handle the call for electric vehicles and “clean” energy it will be unsustainable.

5. What steps would you take to reduce dependence on cars and better facilitate the ability of city residents to safely get around by walking, biking, or public transit?

People need to use it. Buses are available and have been available, people need to use them. As stated earlier work to get our sidewalks accessible in a timely fashion.

6. What policies will you advocate for to ensure that your city can be a place that is affordable for residents to live at any stage of life?

7. [If relevant] How would you assess your city's MBTA Communities Act rezoning efforts so far?

8. What strategies would you employ to resist federal overreach from the Trump Administration while protecting critical services and funding for residents?

9. How would you model transparency and accountability if elected?

(C) Yes/No Policy Questions

1. Do you oppose the expansion of charter schools? **YES**
2. Do you support the creation of an unarmed, community-based emergency response program, separate from the Police Department, to respond to mental and behavioral health crises? **Yes and No**
3. If your community has not already, do you support adopting the new specialized stretch code, which would require new construction and major renovations to be built to a very high-efficiency standard with all-electric (as opposed to fossil fuel) heating and cooling systems? **NO**
4. Do you support fare-free public transit? **NO**
5. Do you support the expansion of the network of permanent, protected bike lanes in your city? I do not support the Mill St set-up.
6. Would you support a home rule petition to establish a small transfer fee on high-end real estate transactions to create dedicated funding for affordable housing production and preservation? **NO**
7. Would you support a home rule petition to enable the city to stabilize rents? **NO**
8. According to the American Library Association, in 2022 there were at least 45 attempts to restrict access to books in MA schools, disproportionately books that speak to the experiences of LGBTQ students and students of. Would you oppose such book-banning efforts if they occurred in your city? **I would support the head of the library**

(D) Additional Comments

(Use this space to make any final comments you deem important for progressive voters assessing your candidacy.)

Many of your yes/no questions pertain to national politics. I would suggest directing those questions to our national delegation. Also some of your yes/no questions require additional input other than yes/no. I appreciate the opportunity to answer your questions, Thank you!