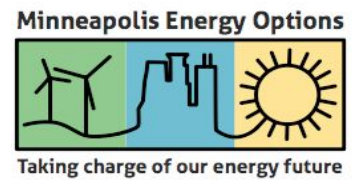




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### **Community Power 2017 Minneapolis Candidate Questionnaire**

Community Power invites all candidates to complete the following questionnaire to inform Minneapolis voters on positions shaping Minneapolis's energy future:

1. What role do you feel energy infrastructure, sourcing, and decision-making play in shaping livability, affordability, economic resilience and community health for Minneapolis residents and businesses? How do you propose to fulfill that role?

**The energy infrastructure in any society plays an extremely important part and especially in an urban one such as Minneapolis. It is also the role of the leadership of the city to direct its citizens in a green path, some easy ways of accomplishing this are through supporting green businesses and green energy resolutions throughout the city in all domains ranging from recycling to transportation to private use.**

2. Do you think Minneapolis is adequately prepared to respond to climate change? If yes, how? If no, what do you think Minneapolis should do to become prepared?

**I do not believe Minneapolis is equipped to respond to climate change nor are many places in the world; for that takes a precise and scientific amount of environment prediction and forecasting techniques. The best thing any Urban environment can do right now is Trenton towards a neutral carbon footprint and eventually trending towards a footprint which reduces that of its surrounding communities.**

3. Do you support a policy of 100% renewable electricity for city operations by 2021, 100% renewable electricity by 2030 for all Minneapolis energy users, and 100% renewable energy in all sectors (electricity, heating, transportation, industry) by 2050 for all Minneapolis energy users (check one)?

**X Yes, by those timelines**

- Yes, by (define years) \_\_\_\_\_
- No

Feel free to provide a deeper explanation of your position:

4. What do you intend to do during your time in office to help achieve the Minneapolis Energy Vision (established by City Council in 2014) and the goals of the Minneapolis Clean Energy Partnership?

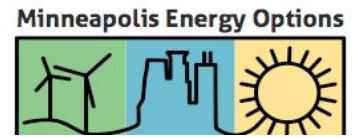
**Yes and hopefully the City can get a head start on the vision for energy efficiency in 2040, and essentially beat that given deadline with technology and price efficiency improvements.**

5. Do you support securing universally-accessible financing that allows all Minneapolis energy users to make energy efficiency improvements and switch to clean energy with no upfront

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cost, no debt or credit checks, and monthly payments on utility bills that are overall lowered due to the energy saved?

Yes

No

Feel free to provide a deeper explanation of your position:

**A cost evaluation must be included in this concept; essentially analyzing the cost efficiency for given green technologies at a given point in time.**

6. Do you support using the rooftops of Minneapolis public buildings to host community solar gardens that create access for low-income families as well as train and hire Minneapolis residents of color to install and maintain them?

Yes

No

Feel free to provide a deeper explanation of your position:

**Using “free” spaces to create energy not limited to rooftops, with new technology improvements everyday. Additionally, installation and maintenance, should be blind to “color”, meaning this opportunity should be open to any resident regardless of race. Now that we have the idea of minorities and green technologies, a great idea might to create program that help train residents about the business, installation and technology aspects of the industry enabling people to promote and grow the green industry locally. Which, one could forecast that this would improve overall price efficiency models for the local green industry.**

7. How would you advance equitable access to energy resources for renters and low-income families to ensure that all Minneapolis families have healthy, comfortable homes, affordable energy bills, and the choice to shift to clean and efficient energy?

**Promote ideas like the one mentioned above. Additionally, continue to support and educate people on local programs dedicated to such purposes (like Salvation Army and C.A.P.S.H.).**

8. Would you support an increase in utility franchise fees of 0.5% of Minneapolis energy sales to be re-invested in dedicated long-term funding for local energy solutions (**check all that apply**)?

Yes

No

**X Dedicated funding could additionally/instead come from these sources: Deeper analysis**

**of the budget is required.**

These specific energy solutions need this kind of long-term funding:

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Minneapolis Energy Options



Feel free to provide a deeper explanation of your position:

9. How should the City of Minneapolis evaluate the effectiveness of the Minneapolis Clean Energy Partnership as its second two year work plan ends in late 2018? What criteria or thresholds would convince you that the Minneapolis Clean Energy Partnership is succeeding (and should be sustained and expanded) OR is failing (and the city should pursue a different route)?

**Affordability, environmental impact, and degree of energy independence should be the main criteria to judge the successfulness and effectiveness of the MPLS CEP.**

10. If Xcel Energy and/or CenterPoint Energy refused to agree to the measurable outcomes you defined in question 9, or failed to achieve them, would you support active exploration of other options by the City of Minneapolis, including: terminating the franchise agreement, securing Community Choice Aggregation, or pursuing energy municipalization (**check one**)?

**X Yes**

- Yes, under these conditions:  
 No

Feel free to provide a deeper explanation of your position:

**The City should already be exploring alternative solutions towards energy independence at an affordable price.**

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