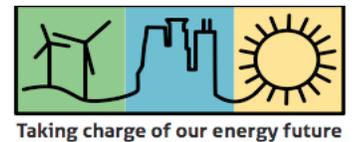




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Community Power 2017 Minneapolis Candidate Questionnaire

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?

It is the role of political servants to do what is ethically right for the well-being of citizens, not only for present stakeholders, but for future generations. As a future city council person, I'm committed to working alongside with energy innovators, environmental justice advocates, and activists to ensure ward 5 does what is right for the well-being of our families and our planet, which we depend on. Right now, ward 5 has higher levels of pollution than other areas in the state. Northern Metals and lead-based paint are major contributors to this urgent problem. We know of the seriously damaging effects that lead has on children's development, which is impacting our community as a whole. We have to invest today to do the necessary work to not only (repair) current hazards, but develop sustainable health-based energy systems that increase the livability and affordability of ward 5.

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?

No, there has been acknowledgment and discussion, but more specific action plans need to be established by researching and following sound and responsible recommendations of environmental and energy coalitions, such as Community Power. One urgent action item must be a community education campaign as I can personally attest to being ignorant to the significance of human behavior on climate change and the real impact of climate change in the near future.

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)?

Yes, by those timelines

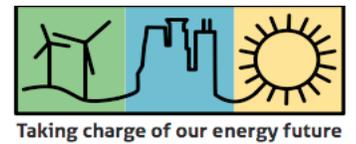
Feel free to provide a deeper explanation of your position:

At this point I'm not an energy or environmental expert, so although I know actions steps are necessary, I need to do further research into cost and time. As city council candidate I welcome your guidance. I also a member of the Shiloh Temple solar garden

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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?

In addition to supporting the current city council agenda, I plan on initiating a ward 5 environmental and energy committee with resident participation and establish an Energy and educational campaign for ward 5 students and residents.

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 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:

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

Feel free to provide a deeper explanation of your position:

I love it! Gardens, Education, opportunity, employment- this is just what we need.

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?

I'm in total agreement with the suggestions outlined in number 2 of your community power position briefing: inclusive financing for improvements, solar gardens, training residents to develop and operate energy developments, utility justice, landlord accountability compliance, etc...

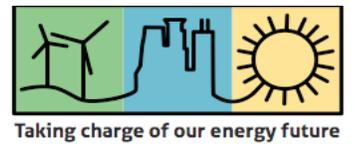
8. Would you support an increase in utility franchise fees of 0.5% of Minneapolis energy sales to be re-invested in dedicated long-term funding for local energy solutions (**check all that apply**)?

Yes

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Dedicated funding could additionally/instead come from these sources:
These specific energy solutions need this kind of long-term funding:

Feel free to provide a deeper explanation of your position: If we each pitch in a little there is no overwhelming burden on one person or organization,

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)?
Implementation

I would need more information and background to make an informed decision.

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**)?

N/a

Feel free to provide a deeper explanation of your position: I'm not yet sure, we can discuss further

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