



Aaron Paquette, Council Candidate for Ward Dene

What are your priorities for public services in our communities?

Far too often we hear calls for more "efficient service delivery". This concerns me when it inevitably boils down to shopping jobs and services out for the lowest pay and cheapest cost. I have a strong support for our City's public services and feel we need to prioritize keeping this work, and these jobs in house.

What is your position on private-public partnerships?

Unfortunately history has shown us too many projects where private-public partnerships leave municipalities left footing the bill. I have real concerns about relying on P3 models for future contracts.

What are your priorities for transportation?

Edmonton's public transportation needs a long term, sustainable funding model to guarantee successful delivery of this core city service.

Do you support the change in campaign financing laws?

I fear that the changes to campaign financing laws did not "level the playing field" for potential candidates to enter municipal politics. It is now far too easy for those with deep pockets to put serious money behind influencing municipal elections and further reduces accessibility and equity in politics.

What is your plan to address housing and homelessness in our communities?

Edmonton needs more bridge services, more support services and organizations, housing options, and permanent supportive housing builds. Council needs to stick to the goals laid out in our City Plan and continue to increasing housing options and affordability in Edmonton.



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What are your priorities to address the fiscal relationship between the provincial government and municipalities?

When provincial and federal governments fail to address the needs that fall under their jurisdiction—things like healthcare, education, childcare, and housing get downloaded onto the municipality. We need all levels of government to step up to the table but without a clear commitment we will be forced to find our own solutions. Edmontonians are asking for support in these areas and we need to deliver.