

Cheney City, Position #6,

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Evaluation: **Green** (Appears to support Conservative Values)

Responded:

Thank you for reaching out. You will find my answers to each question below.

1. Should elected leadership involve local Charitable Non-Profits in issues relating to Social issues? (Homeless and Street individuals)

No, I believe they should be non-partial and all inclusive to the cause they serve.

2. To what level should elected leadership be concerned with individual property rights?

As a strong supporter of individual property rights, our elected officials and appointed government officials shouldn't be involved in individual property rights unless it is affecting other people. Even this is a case by case issue. I own a number of properties in the Cheney area and I like to develop these properties to fill a need in my area. This goes side-by-side of free markets.

3. How can government strengthen the local economy?

By deregulating business policies and open up opportunities to new businesses. Also, I wouldn't penalize businesses for having more employees and get rid of the health insurance mandate. The FMLA is the latest detriment to putting more people to work. Washington State has shown in the past few years by forcing business owners put in place more programs which in turn raises prices and increases the inflation rate even more. When I was Mayor of Cheney, I helped a number of elected officials in our community to open up a Port Authority in our region...knowing we could be the hub of product distribution. Today, a couple of those people (Al French Cathy McMorris-Rogers) I worked with opened the door for Amazon an other corporations to build on the West Plains

4. Which is best, government controls or free markets, and why?

Free market, because a true capitalistic society weeds out the corruption. Today, we have Corporate Welfare in which drowns the individual businesses that don't go along with the establishment. In a pure free market, we would already have a cure for cancer, health cost wouldn't be so high and more new businesses and ingenuity would grow. This is what created a great country in the first place. Every time we place new regulations on businesses, it stifles the majority of them except the few are exempt or the rules are designed around their business practice...Corporate Welfare. Buy outs doesn't help a business, but only hinders it. In order to grow a business, you need to struggle and appreciate the journey.

5. When should government be involved in Social engineering?

This is very limited, but there are times when we need to work together collectively on very few issues. One that I initiated in Cheney was the community clean up. It is purely volunteering and we would encourage all to clean up big items that are consider trash on their property. They would drop it off at no charge and the city would send it to either recycling or trash. Mandated social programs I am against. I prefer it to be volunteer.

6. How can government strengthen Families?

This is a hard issue when you have schools, social media, TV/Radio/Movies and literature spreading the individual and not the Nuclear Family. In government, they should not interfere with families as much as they do now. Right now we have CPS threatening to take our kids away if we raise our voices and our hands to our children when they misbehave. Government pushes people into tattling on people when they think they are hurting our kids. Again, this goes back to what I believe on property rights on a case by case basis, This should be handled within the family. When its obviously child abuse, than there should be some intervention.

7. Who is responsible for the child, the parents or the State? **Parents Why? The only time we may have intervention from the police or CPS is when there is real abuse. Even then, it is a case-by-case situation.**

8. Explain your understanding of following, regarding the US Constitution, should it be understood by "Original Intent" and /or as a "Living Document"? **It is the Bible of our country...Living Document. When I read Original Intent, that tells me their intention were good, but they don't apply to today. Not true. Our US Constitution is very applicable to today then ever. The second amendment states at the end, "...shall not be infringe." This pertains to the right to bare arms. There should not be one law against it, but today, we have so many laws contradicting with this amendment. The Patriot Act, as honorable as it was in 2001, it is still a violation of the fourth amendment. This act has made so many grey areas that government has over reach their power. When I took the oath in 1986 for the first time while enlisting in the US Navy, I have taken the US Constitution as the law of the land and nothing is higher. My Christian belief is on another level and I keep that within my family.**

9. Have you read the Washington State Constitution, and do you agree to support this document entirely? **Yes and Yes. There are some differences between the two constitutions and the US is one I follow closely as the law of the land. However, our state constitution follows most of the time of our US one, but breakdown individual rights even further in which I agree with. On judicial individual rights, it is very strong and more definitive than the US. It has more strength in individual rights.**

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