

WALK BIKE QUESTIONNAIRE

2019 NASHVILLE METRO COUNCIL CANDIDATES



In preparation for the 2019 Metropolitan General Elections, Walk Bike Nashville distributed a Walking and Biking Candidate Questionnaire to Metro Council candidates. This questionnaire is intended to help educate the public about the positions and ideas of

each of the candidates. Walk Bike Nashville is a 501c3 non-profit, and as such we do not endorse or support any candidate.

These are the answers as we received them, unedited, from the candidates.

1. What would you do as a council member to promote walking and biking in Nashville?

Finis Luther Dailey III	
Jonathan B. Hall (incumbent)	
Rudolph "RJ" Mamula	I would support more bike trails and walk way. My district particularly lack sidewalks.

2. What will you do as a Council Member to reduce pedestrian fatalities and severe injuries in your district and all of Nashville?

Finis Luther Dailey III	
Jonathan B. Hall (incumbent)	
Rudolph "RJ" Mamula	Speed bumps in some areas. There is a big demand for speed bumps and sidewalks in my district.

3. What will you do as a council member to enact WalkNBike and expand low-stress bikeways? If a plan for new bikelanes came across your desk that you had the authority to approve and you thought it was the right thing to do, Metro staff agreed, but a vocal minority were strongly opposed, how would you move forward?

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Jonathan B. Hall (incumbent)	
Rudolph "RJ" Mamula	I will listen to all opinions and examine all the details, pros and cons.

4. How can Metro Nashville reduce single-occupancy vehicle trips into downtown in order to ensure that new employees, Nashvillians, and visitors continue to have access to Nashville's urban core?

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Rudolph "RJ" Mamula	I think we need to expand the bus service with more buses and bus stops. I also would be open to rails.

5. The WalkNBike Plan states that only 19% of Nashville's streets have sidewalks. How can Metro expand our sidewalk network? As a council member, what would you do to support this?

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Rudolph "RJ" Mamula	This is a top priority. We need to appropriate some funds toward sidewalks, even if it is done incrementally.

6. Transportation remains severely underfunded in Nashville and lacks a dedicated, consistent funding source. Which of the follow options would you support? Please explain.

- A. Referendum to raise sales tax, business tax hotel/motel tax, and/or wheel tax
- B. Increasing property taxes and using those funds for transportation
- C. Bonds
- D. Other _____
- E. None of the above

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Rudolph "RJ" Mamula	Referendum to raise sales tax, business tax hotel/motel tax, and/or wheel tax, I favor a tax on beverages downtown.

6. b. Please explain your response to the options above.

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Jonathan B. Hall (incumbent)	
Rudolph "RJ" Mamula	Bonds would increase debt and property tax would add to an already high burden. New sales taxes would be the best route to go and the suggested beverage tax would come mostly from tourists.

7. What are your thoughts about the Metro Traffic Calming Program? Should speed-management (either lowering speed limits or adding physical traffic calming) be used to slow car speeds? If so on what type of streets?

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The problem is not the speed limits but people not follow the speed limits. As stated above, I support speed bumps.