



Northern Virginia REALTORS® Political Action Committee CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

Fairfax County Board of Supervisors 2018

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1. Elected officials must make decisions that will maintain the economic prosperity that makes Northern Virginia an attractive region in which to live and work. They also face continuing demands to pay for infrastructure needs. Balancing these pressures will be a top priority in the foreseeable future. What policies would you advocate to fund Fairfax County's infrastructure without harming its economic prospects?
2. During the 2018 session, the Virginia General Assembly approved significant funding for Metro by shifting existing funding away from the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTa) which had been dedicated for local transportation priorities. The hole left from this shift in funding has forced several transportation projects to be delayed. How would you propose to replace the lost transportation funds or reprioritize major local transportation projects?
3. A 35-mile gap exists between the American Legion Bridge and the next closest crossing of the Potomac River to the northwest at US 15/Point of Rocks. Studies have shown that a new northwest river crossing would carry in excess of 100,000 vehicles daily and provide significant relief to the bottleneck at the American Legion and to other corridors on both sides of the Potomac. Would you support an additional bridge, possibly extending the Fairfax County Parkway to I-270 in Maryland? If so, how would you propose to work with your counterparts in Maryland to move the project forward?

4. The arrival of the new Amazon headquarters in National Landing and robust business recruitment and economic development in Fairfax County is a boon for the prosperity of the region. While many of the new jobs will be filled with existing residents and the impact will be spread across the next 10-15 years, the HQ2 project has highlighted the existing demand for housing affordability in the Northern Virginia area. Recently the Fairfax County Affordable Housing Resources Panel made several policy and funding recommendations to meet a goal of adding 5,000 new affordable units over 15 years. Do you believe that the strategies presented by the panel would adequately address the affordable housing needs of the County? What specific funding sources, land use tools or zoning policies would you advocate for to meet the affordable and workforce housing needs?

5. Northern Virginia's housing shortage is not limited to affordable housing. New housing starts are down over the past few years and the resale inventory is very low. Despite a need for diverse housing stock throughout the region community opposition to new development and redevelopment continues to slow growth. Nowhere has this been more evident than in the recent proposed changes to the density provisions for the Reston PRC District. With the new comprehensive plan amendment and the PRC amendment expected to be considered by the next Board of Supervisors, would you be supportive of increased density in Reston and other areas of the county in need of revitalization?

6. Localities derive most of their tax revenue from fees on real estate holdings and transactions. What is your position on transfer taxes on the sale of property, impact fees and real estate property taxes?

7. The Fairfax County Environmental Vision affirms that, in Fairfax County, environmental stewardship and prudent management of natural resources are not merely "add-ons," or afterthoughts, but rather are essential and fundamental responsibilities of local government that must be given fullest consideration at all times. Realtors® have supported numerous voluntary measures and incentives related to energy conservation and green building concepts. What environmental initiatives and policies would you promote related to sustainable development, growth and land use?

8. What are the top three issues facing Fairfax County and what will you do in office to address them?