

2024 Portland City Elections Questionnaire

Thank you for taking the time to fill out United for Portland's candidate questionnaire. Any candidate seeking our endorsement or support must fill out this questionnaire.

The endorsement process and all responses will be made public on our website.

Please return this questionnaire via email to <u>doug@moorestrategicconsulting.com</u>. Please return it as a Microsoft Word document or as a PDF file by 8/30/24.

All questions are open-ended, and an opportunity to tell us about your thoughts on key issues facing our city, as well as discuss your leadership style. This will be shared on our website, and we ask that you take the time to tell us what you really think and what voters should know about you. There are no right answers to these questions, and we don't want you simply telling us what you think we want to hear.

If you need further information about any of the items covered in the questionnaire, please give United for Portland Executive Director Doug Moore a call at 503-729-5175 or email <u>doug@moorestrategicconsulting.com</u>.

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Candidate Signature: Chloe Mason (can be electronic or signed).

1. Do you want United for Portland's endorsement and support?

United for Portland's endorsement and support would be instrumental in achieving my proposed policies. My core values and vision as an elected official in our city are aligned with what your organization is working to accomplish.

2. What's your approach to ending unsheltered homelessness in Portland?

Portland's image is being tarnished by the growing number of unsheltered individuals. To address this issue, we need to enforce current policies that require people to accept available resources or face the legal repercussions. Additionally, we must expand our shelter capacity to fully implement these measures.

3. How do we create housing sufficient to meet future needs, not just current needs? What mix of housing does that look like to you?

Before we can pursue large-scale developments, we must prioritize rebuilding our local economy and addressing our city's image issues. To secure necessary funding, we should focus on affordable housing initiatives, including a mix of standalone homes, affordable housing units, and apartment complexes.



4. When you think of public safety, what does that mean to you? What will you do to ensure public safety for all Portlanders as a member of the city council?

Public safety is the assortment of protection our city provides for our constituents. We need to prioritize a portion of our resources to showcase our dedication to their overall quality of life. As a member of city council, it would be crucial for me to ensure our law enforcement is effectively using their resources to keep our streets safe and respond quickly to emergency services. Currently, the American Medical Response team has not met its required ambulatory response time, 8 minutes, snd until that is met we need to advocate that multinomah county commision continues our temporary staffing plan.

5. What do you see as Portland's economic engine, and what do you believe it should be for the future?

Portlands economic engine is our small businesses. They are often the primary source of job creation, providing employment opportunities from entry level positions to skilled professionals. Small businesses produce a high amount of tax revenue for the city. Portland is know for its array of uniqueness and to sustain this, our small businesses should reamin our economic engine.

6. Tell us about your leadership style. How will you work with constituents and interest groups? How are you going to address the inevitable disagreements in a brand new council of 12?

As a leader, I challenge the status quo and encourage to the the risks necessary for the greater good of our city. I have gone from a meeting at Nike to another at Adidas and it doesn't get more collaborative than working with both teams that greatly disagree with each other. I strongly believe in listening first and then acting. Working with individuals and groups that often disagree requires patience, strong negotiation and problem solving skills, professionalism, and active listening.

7. What would you do to align Portland's taxing and spending with our city's needs and values?

By ensuring demonstrating our commitment to fiscal responsibility and public service by utilizing taxpayer funds go towards the services and needs of every day people. To be exact, using a portion of our spending on enhancing our local parks, recreational programs, and road quality for the betterment of our communities quality of life.

8. Is there an issue, topic, or policy we didn't ask about, but is very important to you? If so, feel free to ask and answer your own question(s).

Portland fentanyl crisis is something that a topic that is very important to me. Having lost 3 close friends to the drug, seeing that our law enforcement is doing everything in their power to elimnate the distribution and key drug dealers in our city. This would not only reduce drug related deaths but also making our streets safer for our constituents.