

Candidate Name	1. What is your stance on defunding the CPS?	2. What social program(s) will you implement or continue supporting in order to support marginalized Calgarians?	3. How will you be supporting and/or leading anti-racism efforts in Calgary?	4. How will you support and encourage women, BIPOC and marginalized folx to participate in community engagement and in municipal politics to improve representation?	5. How will you ensure that the Truth and Reconciliation Commission recommendations and the White Goose Flying Report recommendations will be implemented in Calgary?	6. What measures will you implement in Calgary to protect communities and the healthcare system from Covid-19?
Ian Chiang	Needs study in detail. No other response given.	I follow guidelines of Alberta Health Services.	As a person of Chinese descent, the candidate has felt silenced and harmed by this city and media. Will share their experiences to help others learn.	Stated that women “don’t need my support at all”. Made reference to some women presenting as unprepared for leadership, in their opinion, and said “same as BIPOC and marginalized folks. They need more proper education. They need to see or travel outside world.” In essence, this candidate won’t do anything to support marginalized folx.	Needs time to study. No response given.	I follow guidelines of Alberta Health Services.
Jan Damery	Believes the police are playing too many roles and has a plan to invest and grow the Community Safety Investment Framework. Believes that revitalizing downtown through simple projects such as basketball courts will increase safety by having more citizen eyes on the street.	The candidate has an extensive plan for jobs, affordable housing and tourism, which reserve grant spaces for women, immigrant and BIPOC-owned businesses. More details can be found on her website.	Will implement and enforce city policies to hire representative populations and to ensure they thrive and grow in their positions. The candidate believes every person in our community should feel safe, seen, and valued – irrespective of age, disability, gender, race, religion, belief, or sexual orientation.	To ensure representative community consultation and representation, the candidate will collect data on communities involved in consultation and those given grants and bids for the City. Will hold administration accountable to measure to improve representation.	The candidate commits to implementing the calls to action outlined in the White Goose Flying Report and to ensure that the resources needed to fulfill these recommendations are allocated as part of the 4-year budget cycle, including a budget increase for the Indigenous Relations Office, and working with the Indigenous Gathering Place Society to establish an Indigenous Gathering Place. These investments will not be conditional on land sales or other revenue generation.	Publicly announced her support of vaccine passports in July 2021. If elected, the candidate would also enact a respiratory health bylaw, which would include a threshold based imposition of face-covering requirements for indoor public places, based on recommendations from the scientific community and the number of COVID-19 cases.

James Desautels	Wants to unbundle CPS and believes that a large portion of unnecessary funding going to a group plagued by racism.	Wants to follow the lead of Medicine Hat and end homelessness. Will immediately stop corporate welfare and use this money to house every Calgarian.	Believes we can evolve by listening to those targeted by governments and society and then create solutions based on this listening process.	Wants to get rid of TPAs. Then listen to all the groups referenced in this question. Then build a more equitable way by implementing the ideas of the referenced groups.	Will create a notice of motion for all recommendations, vote for them, and then actively make them happen.	Make vaccinations mandatory and continue with public health and safety measures in order to protect us all. Then we can engineer a future where, hopefully, we manage public health by prioritizing public health.
Emile Gabriel	Did not answer.	Will continue to build on and enhance current programs.	We will start working together to identify what it means to be a Canadian first, and rally around our shared Canadian values. This will bring our diverse communities back together. Believes that compassion towards others has the power to conquer fear.	Cites Community Service section on the candidate's website for more details on their experience in supporting and encouraging women.	Will work to appropriately recognize the critical roles of Indigenous peoples in Canada and acknowledge and let go of the anti-Indigenous stereotypes. Will lead by example in reconciliation.	Will focus on sharing accurate information and educating citizens. Will protect private medical information and focus on controlling the virus and supporting those after the fallout of the pandemic.
Dean Hopkins	No to defunding the police. Wants to "restructure" the police by adding a new "Police Community Support Officer" Department funded by provincial and federal governments.	Will create a public speaking program to tour the city and start open discussions on racism and other issues such as crime.	From the candidates 30 years of military experience and the atrocities they have witnessed, they have zero tolerance for any group or individual involved in racist activities. Will fully support any anti-racism events in Calgary.	Will commit to supporting youth and young adults into leadership roles through education programs	Cites their website for details on their campaign platform regarding Truth and Reconciliation.	Again, cites their website for details on their campaign platform regarding Covid-19.

Kevin Johnston	No to defunding, but wants to complete a forensic audit of their budget.	Did not provide any social programs they would support.	Did not answer the question in substance, only commented that Canada was not racist and was being misled by federal officials to believe they were racist.	Will not. Stated that considering race in application processes was “racism and [the candidate] will not engage in it.”	Stated these policies were “divisive and full of holes”. Stated these reports were UN reports and that Canadians need to write their own documents. [Fact check: TRC was prepared by Indigenous peoples in Turtle Island north of the 49 th parallel. White Goose Flying Report was drafted by the Calgary Aboriginal Urban Affairs Committee.]	Believes there is no pandemic. Wants to end lockdown protocols, vaccine and mask mandates. [Fact check: The pandemic is very much so real and there is substantial evidence to support this and the efficacy of physical distancing, vaccines, masks and restrictions.]
Zaheed Ali Khan	Wants “better funding, better education and training” for police. Does not want to defund.	Implement a municipal Charter of Rights and Municipal Codes to end marginalization.	Did not answer, but commented that racism and hate is criminal.	Will share own experiences and leave space for individuality.	Did not answer this question.	States that Calgary needs “to take charge of our own healthcare” and suggested implementing CHS(?)
Theodore “Teddy” Ogbonna	No to defunding. Plans to freeze hiring for 1-2 years and restructure budget of all City operations and salaries.	Affordable housing, beyond shelters and advocating for huge resources, support for outreach groups taking care of the unhoused like the DOAP Team etc.	By engaging and collaborating with groups involved in social inequality projects.	By engaging these groups front and centre at City Hall. Believes solutions are best when collaboration is used.	The candidate intends to work and partner with the First Nations’ leaders in Calgary on a sustained dialogue.	Will work with provincial government and health care unions to accommodate options that would not leave anyone behind or off work for not following government regulations on Covid-19.
Virginia Stone	Against defunding the police.	Provided a long list of programs including food security programs, such as urban farms, housing projects, such as co-op housing projects, and environmental projects, such as renewable energy and bee projects	Believes we must support anti-racism initiatives and efforts.	Believes that every vote for a woman or marginalized citizen makes a very strong statement. Has been supporting and encouraging diversity and inclusivity through her career and believes it’s time for more representation and hopes to inspire others with her campaign.	States that this is an absolute must for her. Truth and Reconciliation requires a lot more than a tag on the bottom of a website, or a holiday named after it. Real honest Truth and Reconciliation requires a focus on repairing, healing, acknowledgment, and sincere solutions to building a stronger, safer, fairer, unified society.	Did not answer.
Shaoli Wang	“Lower crime rate, restore Police Pride. Hold up 10% CPS budget and bind it with crime rate reversely, push for community policing.”	Did not answer.	Did not answer.	Did not answer.	Did not answer.	Healthcare is the province's responsibility; the City should respect the AHS and comply with their rules.

Candidates who did not respond:

Jeff Davison

Jeromy Farkas

Brad Field

Jyoti Gondek

Paul Michael Hallelujah

Zac Hartley

Larry Heather

Randall Kaiser – Could not contact by email

Cory Lanterman

Zane Novak

Mizanur Rahman

Georff Rainey

Adam Roberts

Sunny Singh

Will Vizer

Stan the Man Waciak – No contact information available

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