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Housing affordability: We are entering a crisis, and this must be fixed. Many people can't afford current market rents, and many others would not be able to purchase their current home at the current market rates. This will hurt our children and our seniors, possibly forcing relocation.

Government transparency: Sunlight is the most powerful disinfectant. I'll open the blinds more and more.

Low taxes: As our city grows, the temptation to raise taxes will get more and more intense. Taxation is coercive spending (which is a politically correct synonym for "theft"). While taxation is a requirement in the real world, let's not forget what it really is. I will stretch every dollar as far as possible and fight the temptation to raise taxes.

Emergency Preparation: More and more systems are internet-connected and dependent. Many city governments lack cybersecurity expertise to protect their systems, and that leaves them open to cyber- attacks (such as ransomware). I will bring cybersecurity expertise to our city, making sure our precious tax money goes to providing necessary services, not to expensive security consultants or exploitative criminals.



- Transparency
- (Fiscal) Responsibility
- Freedom

