



TUMWATER CITY COUNCIL
INTERVIEW QUESTIONS DD/MM/YYYY
Council Position No. 1

The Mayor will start the interview by asking question #1. Councilmembers will then take turns in a pre-determined order asking each of the remaining questions of the candidate. All candidates will answer the same questions. Councilmembers can ask follow-up questions after the candidate's response. These follow-up questions may vary depending on the candidate's response.

1. Why do you want to be on the Tumwater City Council? How do you think your education, lived and work experience, and approach to group decision-making would complement existing City Councilmembers.

2. Residents and business owners are busy. It is often difficult to achieve meaningful engagement with them. How do you think we can improve communication and involvement with residents and businesses, particularly those who do not traditionally participate in these processes?

3. Tumwater just adopted a regional climate mitigation plan to help our City operations and communities be more sustainable and address climate change. What do you see as the City of Tumwater's role in responding to climate change?

4. As a Councilmember, would you see yourself as a delegate, acting on behalf of constituents as they direct you, or as a trustee, using your own judgement to act in the best interests of your constituents?
5. Like every city, we don't have enough money to do everything we want. We strive to be efficient, but need to rely on continued growth of our tax base to support the services we provide to the residents and businesses in our community. How can we balance the growth of our tax base with maintaining the character of our community and protecting the environment?
6. Thurston County has demonstrated success with regional partnerships to provide services, such as bus service, sewage treatment, and 911 communications. WE continue to explore other options, such as regionalization of fire services and the creation of a joint police training facility. In general, what do you see as opportunities that come with regionalization of City services? What concerns would you have?
7. How well do you think the City's current transportation system meets the needs of our residents? What would you do to increase transportation options (such as bus, biking, walking, ride sharing) for residents?
8. With increased national focus on racial justice issues, many are calling on the City to make significant changes in the way we police our communities and hold offenders accountable. What do you see as the City's role in addressing racial justice?

9. What are your favorite places to spend time in our community?

COUNCIL INVITED TO ASK ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT APPLICATION

10. Is there anything you would like to add for the Council's benefit?