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1-The next Portland City Council will be unlike any that we've ever experienced in the past. How should Council operate and what will Council need to accomplish in the next two years to make the new form of government as effective and respected as it can be?

The council should operate in the best interest of both the District they represent and in the best interest of Portland as a whole. District One has specific needs and its Elected must make decisions to meet those needs and should be willing to support the needs of other Districts. In two years, we need to have created the ability to work together, have a long-term plan to address the homeless crisis and bring violent crimes down by at least 30%.

2-Current City Council members have suggested that we need to relax environmental and natural resource regulations in order to address the housing crisis. What is your perspective on this issue? What is your top natural resource and environmental priority?

I do not think that we need to relax environmental and Natural resource regulations, We can both build and protect our environment. I do believe we need to create easier ways to permit work and increase development of homes. Creating Safe and more efficient forms of public transportation is a Priority of mine especially in underserved communities.

3-Vehicles are Portland's largest source of emissions and continue to climb. For example, a number of cities have restricted downtown vehicle use. How should Council address this issue?

I would not consider creating any type of travel ban until we have created safe and efficient forms of public transportation for those who live outside of downtown. Often Poor underserved communities are not considered when we are making decisions, I will always keep those communities in mind.

4-There are a number of new and recently built market rate apartment buildings listed for sale for under \$250,000 per unit. The Portland Housing Bureau is financing a number of affordable housing projects that are costing more than \$500,000 per unit. There are some extra costs associated with affordable housing financing and with building more 2BR and 3BR units, but not nearly enough to explain the difference.

What specifically would you do to more effectively use our limited resources for affordable housing?

We must hold developers Accountable to the cost associated with building Public housing. Often Contractors charge Governments more than they would in the private sector. I will use my knowledge of contracting and budgeting to make sure that contractors are not overcharging our city and that city officials are not benefiting from these contractors. We need consistency and Accountability.

5-Ireland used Citizen Assemblies to deal with difficult issues such as Abortion. Please watch this two minute video and let us know if you think Citizen Assemblies could help Portland come together https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dKSgPtnN0s0

I think Citizens Assemblies could be a good idea.

6-What is another City doing that Portland should replicate?

Portland needs to write secondary forms of Public Safety like PSR and Cease Fire into its Permanent budget.