

2SLGBTQIA+ Questionnaire for Waterloo Region Municipal Candidates

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Do you identify as a member of a 2SLGBTQIA+ community?

No

What role are you running for?

City Council Elmira Ward 1

What do you believe are the most critical issues for the local 2SLGBTQIA+ community? If elected, how would you work with the local community to address these issues?

Hate speech, discrimination, forms of violence, abuse, violation of human civil rights, inclusion, not feeling safe, people in position of power using public forums unprofessionally to discriminate publicly against them, etc., awareness programs, news articles etc, education, service, diversity training, reeducation, inclusive environment, display symbolic flag, or rainbow crosswalk, support additional supportive educational information service to public, ask your service for input ideas, to help

Have you ever participated in 2SLGBTQIA+ Cultural Competency Training?

Yes couple times over years since 1985

Systemic homophobia, biphobia, and transphobia are still prevalent in our community, resulting in significant socioeconomic disparities within 2SLGBTQIA+ communities. If elected, how will you combat homophobia, biphobia, and transphobia?

I promote inclusive service, inclusive businesses, inclusive community around the world not just locally, I already answered this above

If elected, how would you address the ongoing issues of homelessness and mental health, especially as they disproportionately affect members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community?

I'm ALL ABOUT SERVICE! Work collaboratively with others to investigate, create support missing supportive service!

Do you agree with the statement that "trans rights are human rights, and must be protected as such?"

Yes I Regardless a person's identity, it's ALWAYS been my Service to help, advocate support a person's human rights.

What is one motion would you bring to council that you think will improve the lives of specifically queer people, racialized individuals and/or marginalized residents and why?

Here in Elmira, because of recent council unfortunate events on this issue, it's immediately get rainbow crosswalk in place, as this would help everyone in community, with its inclusion symbol, plus keep flag up year round like others in their community

When thinking about our schools, do you agree that 2SLGBTQIA+ representation in books and lessons is critical at all grade levels? How would you support 2SLGBTQIA+ students in schools?

Listening. Ensure they feel safe welcoming, education yes education in discrimination etc, human rights, with emphasis on inclusive society