

2017 Municipal Election Survey 2017 – Calgary –

Thank you for participating in the Canadian Taxpayers Federation's election survey. Please provide your responses to Colin Craig (ccraig@taxpayer.com) by **September 29** (end of day). Results will be posted at Taxpayer.com, sent to the media and emailed to our supporters.

Name: _____ Signature: 

1) Will you introduce a motion (or support one tabled by a colleague) to scan and post council expense receipts online? (Just as the province does for MLA expenses) <i>Comment:</i>	YES/NO <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
2) Will you protect taxpayers from additional financial risk and excessive costs by introducing a motion (or support one tabled by a colleague) to place new city employees, and council members, in a less costly pension plan? (Defined contribution) <i>Comment:</i>	YES/NO <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
3) Will you vote to reduce city employee salaries by 5% (or reduce total salary expenditures by 5%) – just as many employees in Calgary's business sector received during the recession? <i>Comment:</i>	YES/NO <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
4) Will you introduce a motion (or support one tabled by a colleague) to cap property tax increases at inflation? (Statistics Canada's CPI for Calgary) <i>Comment:</i>	YES/NO <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO
5) Will you support a motion to halt spending on public art until the city's unemployment rate is below the national average? <i>Comment:</i>	YES/NO <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO
6) Do you believe a referendum should be held prior to council approving any bids to host the 2026 Winter Olympics? <i>Comment:</i>	YES/NO <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
7) Do you support reviewing city services and exploring activities that could be contracted out to save taxpayers money? <i>Comment:</i>	YES/NO <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
8) Do you support spending public funds on a new arena for the Flames? <i>Comment:</i>	YES/NO <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO
9) Have you accepted or will you accept financial or in-kind donations from the Calgary Flames, any of the team's owners or their companies? <i>Comment:</i>	YES/NO <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO

Additional Comments: Chris Davis

Question 4. I could not answer question four as drafted. Property tax increases are contributed to by City Hall spending. Due to existing contractual obligations, spending at greater than inflation may take a few years to control, but should be controlled. I look forward to the debate and will work to arrest this trend and deliver an equitable tax rate to Calgarians.

Question 5. Council has deferred this public art issue until after the election. I support some contribution to public art associated with public works projects, but the rules around public art need tightening up.