

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: Karla Charest Signature: _____

<p>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)</p> <p><i>Comment:</i> Good point; these are currently available online, check them out! Or do they need more detail?</p>	<p><u>YES/NO</u></p>
<p>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)</p> <p><i>Comment:</i> We have to set a new baseline or city spending will not be sustainable.</p>	<p><u>YES/NO</u></p>
<p>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?</p> <p><i>Comment:</i> Include city councillors and the mayor in this proposal; especially the mayor.</p>	<p><u>YES/NO</u></p>
<p>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)</p> <p><i>Comment:</i> As per the excellent analysis done by the Calgary Chamber of Commerce?</p>	<p><u>YES/NO</u></p>
<p>5) Will you support a motion to halt spending on public art until the city's unemployment rate is below the national average?</p> <p><i>Comment:</i> We need a strong economy to support a strong arts community.</p>	<p><u>YES/NO</u></p>
<p>6) Do you believe a referendum should be held prior to council approving any bids to host the 2026 Winter Olympics?</p> <p><i>Comment:</i> Olympics = great, Olympics = no public debt! Anything else will not work.</p>	<p><u>YES/NO</u></p>
<p>7) Do you support reviewing city services and exploring activities that could be contracted out to save taxpayers money?</p> <p><i>Comment:</i> Adopt an alternative service delivery model; win/win for everyone.</p>	<p><u>YES/NO</u></p>
<p>8) Do you support spending public funds on a new arena for the Flames?</p> <p><i>Comment:</i> Check my web page, karlacharest.com, for a "no public funding" solution.</p>	<p>YES/NO</p>
<p>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?</p> <p><i>Comment:</i></p>	<p>YES/NO</p>