

Winnipeg Election Candidates Survey 2014

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Winnipeg Election Candidates Survey 2014 Canadian Taxpayers Federation Answers from Judy Wasylycia-Leis

1. Would you support expanding disclosure of council members to include ownership of all businesses and property world wide. **Yes.**

Comment. I would include mayor in that category. All of my assets are disclosed on my website.

2. Would you support the creation of an informal freedom of information council committee to hear appeals when public administration has refused to release city records. **No.**

Comment: Appeals should be independent of political interference. Individuals can currently appeal to the Ombudsman. We would provide a further avenue of appeal through Accountability Winnipeg.

3. Would you table or support a bylaw capping property taxes at the rate of inflation. No.

Comment: We are committed to keeping our tax increases capped at inflation plus population growth or just under three per cent.

4. Would you support a four-year freeze on new spending for non- essential projects (i.e. museum funding) so road repair should be a priority. **No.**

Comment: Road repair is my number one priority. I have committed to a 4-year, \$400 million plan for roads, backlanes and sidewalks.

5. Would you start putting new employees in a less costly (pension) plan? No.

Comment: Any changes in in pension plans must come at the negotiation table as part of collective bargaining.

6. Are you in favour of managed competition? **No.** Are you in favour of gainsharing? **No.**

Comment: I am in favour of in-housing bidding where department heads bid on city projects. This is a model that saves taxpayers millions of dollars. It is inappropriate for unions to bid because they cannot serve as both the bargaining agent and the employer.