

1. Name & office you are seeking: \*

Shawn Knopp/ Missoula Mayor

## Private Property Rights

2. What does "support for the rights of private property owners" mean to you? \*

To me it means supporting the legal protection and freedoms allowing you to own, control, use and sell their property, within the law. Less government interference.

3. Can you think of an example when the city government should NOT fully recognize private property rights? \*

If someone were to use the property outside existing zoning regulations causing neighborhood disturbance such as constant late night excessive noise in a residential neighborhood or engaging in criminal behaviors such as a meth lab or other criminal activities

## Housing Affordability, Availability & Non-discrimination

4. What are your thoughts about Accessory Dwelling Units? \*

I am for them, I do feel they should not alter the way trash is picked up, mail is delivered and such

5. What are your thoughts about Short-Term Rentals? \*

I like them, I use them and support them. I do not believe they attribute to the affordable housing issue.

6. What are your thoughts on market-rate housing and development? \*

Although I personally feel paying more than I have to for a place to live, I wouldn't want to stop anyone else from doing so. On the other hand I feel you should be taxed on what you payed for your house rather than an arbitrary number the state comes up with.

7. What action can the City take to help with housing affordability and availability? \*

Cut the bureaucracy down and speed up the permit process, the only thing that will bring housing costs down is to have more inventory than buyers

8. REALTORS® believe in fair housing policies, anti-discrimination and opportunity for all. What does "fair housing" mean to you, and can you give an example of it? \*

We are all human beings and we should treat and be treated as such, It should not matter what color your skin is, what person you love or how many arms and legs you have, We all have struggles and ups and downs and we all need a place to live! As the song says (One Love) Try it you might like it! I wish it was as easy as passing a law to make it go away but it will ultimately take education not legislation!

## Infrastructure & Transportation

9. There are many planned infrastructure projects in Missoula. What is one that hasn't been addressed that you'd like to see and why? \*

The lack of ways across the Clark fork river, Traffic is a bottle neck at all bridges and no matter what we do with all the other streets it all has to funnel through the 4 main bridges

10. What are the biggest opportunities Missoula has in infrastructure and transportation when it comes to housing and growth demands? \*

Integrating affordable housing with transit Prioritizing the integration of affordable housing within Tod's ensures that those who benefit from transit access can also afford to live in convenient locations, reducing transportation costs and increasing access to opportunities.

11. What is your position on connecting the City sewer and water to communities outside the current City limits? \*

I feel city sewer is extremely important to the health of our rivers and aquifers and should be promoted in surrounding areas

## Economic Development

12. What do you see as the primary challenges in Missoula's Commercial Real Estate development? \*

Bringing in and retaining new business's in this ever expanding online market place

13. Which stakeholders would you contact as trusted sources on topics of economic development? \*

Educational Institutions, Healthcare Providers, community residents, business's and industries, non profits, realtors and developers, and financial institutions

14. What is your definition of a "healthy real estate market" from both a commercial and residential point of view? \*

Balance between supply and demand, stable price growth and reasonable affordability

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## Taxation & Fiscal Responsibility

15. Share your thoughts on real estate property taxes and some options the city could explore to demonstrate fiscal responsibility that might alleviate property taxes. \*

As a city we need to reevaluate the URD,s we have millions of dollars going to URD and we are constantly raising taxes, we have one district that was set in 2000 and was supposed to expire in 2015 but it was some how extended to 2040 all while taxes have doubled

16. What would you do as an elected official to demonstrate fiscal discipline? \*

I would go over the budget line by line, find any wasted expenses set reasonable budgets and stick to them. Talk to each department and get input on where the budgets would be best spent and saved on.

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## Community Engagement & Governance

17. Share a few current community issues where you think collaboration with REALTORS® would benefit the greater community. \*

Realtors know what inventory is needed more than anyone, so they could direct the city in what developments should be green lighted

18. What organizations in the community are your "go to" for building strategies in commercial development and housing? \*

Realtors, Banking industry, and builders

19. Do you volunteer in the community, and if so, where? \*

Over 20 years in little league baseball, Kiwanis, Boy scouts and Veterans and family

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20. Treasurer's Name, Address, Email Address & Phone Number \*

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Please answer the following question below:

21. Will you accept PAC contributions?

Yes

No