



District 9: Marlon Hill

CANDIDATE RESPONSES TO THE ENGAGE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AUGUST 2020 VOTER GUIDE QUESTIONNAIRE ARE BELOW.

HAVING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT THAT IS RESPONSIVE TO RESIDENTS AND GIVES EVERYONE AN EQUAL VOICE IS CRUCIAL FOR DEMOCRACY. WHAT SPECIFIC POLICY CHANGES WOULD YOU PURSUE TO EXPAND CIVIC PARTICIPATION AND REDUCE THE INFLUENCE OF SPECIAL INTERESTS?

We must ensure that our local government is more accessible for civic participation. This means utilizing the full breadth of technology options to make government meetings more accessible remotely and possibly providing text alert updates on projects or initiatives of importance to each voter.

AN ANALYSIS BY APARTMENT LIST SHOWS 62.7% OF RENTERS IN MIAMI ARE COST-BURDENED, THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF THE NATION'S 100 LARGEST METRO AREAS. WHY DO YOU THINK THIS IS AND WHAT ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT STEPS YOU'LL TAKE TO ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM?

Housing affordability is crippling the bank accounts of working families as we compete with overseas market investors for our real estate inventory. We pursue the establishment of a community land trust model to provide more balance in the marketplace for workforce and affordable projects.

CLIMATE CHANGE IS A MASSIVE CHALLENGE TO MIAMI AND IS PARTICULARLY HARMFUL TO UNDER-RESOURCED COMMUNITIES. WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS TO MAKE US MORE RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE? HOW WILL YOU ENSURE ALL COMMUNITIES HAVE ACCESS TO RESOURCES TO ADAPT AND THRIVE?

In order to preserve access to our resources to adapt and thrive in a climate emergency environment, we must elevate a sense of urgency and awareness among our residents in conveying what they could do on an individual basis to address the crisis (e.g. water usage, recycling, carpooling, or home energy savings).

THE COUNTY SPENDS OVER \$1 BILLION DOLLARS OF THE BUDGET ON POLICE AND CORRECTIONS. HOW DO YOU WEIGH THIS AGAINST MAKING INVESTMENTS IN COMMUNITIES TO TACKLE ISSUES SUCH AS HOMELESSNESS, EDUCATION, AND PUBLIC HEALTH?

Our County budget reflects our community values and priorities. Given the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, our local economy will be negatively impact in a retraction of budgetary resources. We will need to reassess the reallocation of resources to prioritize greater support for needs of residents in regards to mental health, restorative justice, and social service support programs.

GIVEN THE LACK OF RELIABLE AND EASILY ACCESSIBLE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS TO EXPAND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FOR CONSTITUENTS?

As I engage with residents, I hear constantly the demand for some relief to being able to get to and from work in an easier manner. We should advance the redesign our bus routes taking into consideration the frequency and coverage that meets the needs of specific neighborhoods and maximizing the use of the South Dade busway for all options of BRT and Rail in short term and for the future.

