

Name	City/Municipality	Running For:	District:
Paul Chaves	Kingston	Councillor	Loyalist - Cataraqui
Will you promote municipal policies and investments that create and maintain good stable and fairly paid jobs in our community? Yes/No			
Yes			
If elected, what specific action will you take to fulfill this commitment?			
I will continue to approve the purchase of appropriate lands to be used as employment lands with the intent of recruiting businesses/industries which have good paying jobs. I have also been a board member of KEDCO and have seen the good work they do in recruiting new businesses to Kingston. I look forward to continuing to support KEDCO on their future recruitment.			
Will you oppose the sale of public land and the corporatization (decision-making in the hands of a board independent of city council) out of municipal services when those services can be effectively delivered by municipal employees? Yes/No			
Yes			
If elected, what specific action will you take to fulfill this commitment?			
Being an ex federal employee, I am not supportive of contracting out public services as it has been proven to be more costly and less effective.			
What will you do to make housing more affordable? Affordable to whom?			
The City does not have the financial means to be a housing provider, other than KFHC. And even so, is limited to the number of dwelling units it is able to develop within a year. The housing market is still very much a private business industry. The cost of building material is still extremely high which makes it even more difficult to provide affordable housing. However, am supportive of continuing support for KFHC to develop more affordable housing, including geared to income units. This past term the Provincial government removed the ability of municipalities to require affordable units in multi residential buildings. The city just approved a development proposal which also included affordable dwelling units. I would encourage continued cooperation between the city and private developers.			
Talk about your approach to homelessness & investing in social housing.			
I don't believe in sanctioned encampments. Mostly due to legal liabilities and projected costs. Residents should not have to bear the potential tax rate increases associated with this proposal. In my opinion encampments and emergency shelters do not address the underlining causes of homelessness. They are only bandages. I do understand the need of each, but as I stated, they do not address the root issues. In order to properly address the root issue of homelessness, we need more transitional housing. One very good example is the transitional home on Sydenham Road. In only 7 months there have already been 23 residents transition out of the home. I have been informed that homeless individuals are not able to plan for the future as they are more concerned with being able to survive one day to the next. In a transition home, with on site support, residents no longer have to worry about where they are going to sleep, eat or have a shower. This allows them to be able to plan for the future. The other positive, is that transitional housing is less expensive to operate than the expenses related to emergency shelters			

and encampments. The above being stated, the provincial government needs to get more involved in assisting the homeless population who have mental or addiction concerns as healthcare is a provincial responsibility.

Will you stand up for workers' rights and safe, fair workplaces? Yes/No

Yes

If elected, what specific action will you take to fulfill this commitment?

Being a former federal union representative/H&S representative workers rights and safe workplaces have always been a top priority.

Will you support using public dollars in ways that strengthen public services, support good local jobs and provide the greatest benefit to the local community? Yes/No

Yes

How will you make sure public dollars support strong services, good jobs and our local community?

I believe I have answered part of this question in previous responses. When it comes to finances I don't like to make promises without knowing all the details. However, under the correct circumstances would support but would need the full information.

What is your position on the use of Section 107 of the Canadian Labour Code and government intervention during legal strikes?

not in favour of government intervention during legal strikes.

Will you support municipal policies and services that promote equity, inclusion, accessibility and equal opportunity for all members of our community? Yes/No

Yes

If elected, what specific action will you take to fulfill this commitment?

I do not have any specific actions at this time.

Will you advocate for the protection of local jobs and programs at St. Lawrence College? Yes/No

Yes

Will you oppose reductions in library staffing that results in fewer services or reduced access for local residents? Yes/No

Yes

Will you advocate for maintaining reliable accessible door to door mail delivery for local residents particularly seniors, people with disabilities and others who rely on home delivery? Yes/No

Yes

If elected, what specific action will you take to fulfill this commitment?

will support any motion to advocate the province to continued financial support to post secondary education institutions or to St. Lawrence College to revise their decision. I have already showed my opposition to the staff-less library hours at the Pittsburgh branch.

