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- **What is the next step for moving forward on the intensification of the Williamsville Main Street plan and what will you do to demonstrate growing Kingston as a livable, sustainable city during your 4 years on Council?**

I believe the next step is to help show that Kingston is a great place to do business and we are open to the revitalization and intensification of these areas. If every single development or proposal is met with cynicism and constant criticism no one wins in the end. To this end I will support good sound planning practices that recommend an increase in density and maximize the space we have available.

- **2018 rental housing vacancy rate is 0.7%, the lowest in Canada. What steps will you take to increase the supply of housing?**

We need to increase the amount of density that we are getting in new developments. We need to stop focusing on the height of the building and start focusing on good design principles and creative architecture. When you lower the height you reduce the units, and get short rectangular buildings and do nothing to move that vacancy rate higher.

- **What is the next step for moving forward on the Kingston airport expansion and what will you do to expand air service during your 4 years on Council? For example, Which is a higher priority, another Canadian airline to compete with Air Canada or an American airline to access new US markets?**

Both are important. We need to expand our markets and also work to ensure that we are creating competition in our local markets. This requires council to support staff efforts in these areas to realize these gains and achieve the greatest return on investment of our airport.

- **What is the next step for moving forward on the intensification of JCB corridor expansion and new bridge and it's linkage to the Third Crossing....and what will you do to encourage that growth during your 4 years on Council?**

This area has so much potential for growth and we should be encouraging that by looking forward and beginning to plan the areas that will be linked by the new bridge. The new bridge will allow the creation of an economic corridor through the entire city and we need to be prepared to leverage that opportunity and begin planning and supporting the growth today to leverage it before the completion of the new bridge.

- **What is your solution to the lack of parking inventory in downtown Kingston? What is your financial plan for creating new parking spaces to add to the City's inventory to promote local retail?**

We need to consider increasing the parking supply whether through private partnerships or by creating our own parking structures. Also smart apps could be considered that can let people know where there are parking spots available, which could help in the interim until more spots can be created to increase the inventory. We need to consider allocating the appropriate funds to realize this increase.