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RE: Norm Nyberg | Chaffee County Commissioner Candidate Questionnaire Responses

1. In a few sentences, please briefly share why you're motivated to run for public office, and why you believe you're qualified to serve in this context. (your response will be printed on the in-person Forum Program).

• I grew up in Chaffee County, know the area and want to do the best for the citizens of Chaffee County. Served as a Buena Vista Trustee for a number of years. Need better communication with the citizens.

2. I support changing codes and processes towards increased use of Administrative decisions by public sector staff, while focusing public input on changes to the code itself.

• Strongly Agree

3. Development approval times are:

• Too fast and need to be used to slow development

4. As you are likely aware, the Chaffee County 2020 Comp Plan stated, "keep the country country and the towns towns". What does this statement mean to you and how would you use this guiding principle in setting land use policy?

• Moderate growth due water issues, infrastructure, emergency response, and housing.

5. The County government is sufficiently connected to, and communicative with, local school districts and higher ed institutions.

• Somewhat Agree

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6. How can County government encourage/support/facilitate increasing work-based learning programs for local youth?

• Communicate with the school districts and support their needs. Encourage the continued growth of our Boys and Girls Clubs, and try to get tech schools in area.

7. I have read the latest strategic plan of the Chaffee County Early Childhood Council.

• No

8. County government should take tangible action to support the creation and maintenance of childcare slots.

• Strongly Agree

9. What should the County government do starting in 2025 to support childcare?

• Support day7 care needs and possibly try for grants to meet these needs.

10. Passing a County ordinance requiring the installation of broadband infrastructure as a part of all new development is a must.

• Strongly Agree

11. Internet infrastructure should be treated as equally important to other utilities (water, sewer, gas, electricity) in infrastructure projects.

• Strongly Agree

12. What is the local government's role in increasing broadband availability and reliability for the community?

• Put together a committee to research this matter and always have citizen input.

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13. Chaffee County has enough water to meet municipal, housing, and commercial development growth.

• Somewhat Disagree

14. In the face of inadequate current water supply Town should...

• Restrict development

15. What is the most important next step for the County Government in regards to water or wastewater?

• Protect our water by keeping water in our valley and plan for the future.

16. Producing housing that is accessible to our local workforce requires public subsidy in amounts that directly affect affordability levels.

• Somewhat Agree

17. Density is directly linked to affordability (i.e. increased density lowers the cost of each housing unit).

• Somewhat Agree

18. Encouraging more housing development, including market rate housing, is helpful to overall housing affordability and thus to the community.

• Strongly Agree

19. Housing policy is a County government responsibility.

• Somewhat Agree

20. What specific policy would you change or advocate for that would have a tangible impact on workforce housing if elected?

• Advocate for Federal Money.

21. New rules & regulations to advance environmental sustainability

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should be considered in the context of their impact on the health of local employers.

• Strongly Agree

22. Environmental sustainability is inextricably linked with innovation and technology.

• Strongly Agree

23. The single most important action the County government can take in 2024 to advance environmental sustainability is...

• Find a solution for recycling. Public education is a must.

24. Closing question: What question have we not asked that you'd like to share (and answer?)

• No answer.

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