



*City of Mobile
Mayor and Council
Candidate Questionnaire*

Campaign Profile

Candidate Name

Office/District

Campaign Address

Campaign Phone

Candidate Phone

Campaign Email Address

Candidate Email Address

Candidate Employer

Your Occupation

Elected Offices currently/previously held

Other Campaigns conducted for elected office

Appointed offices currently/previously held

Please provide the following information for your:

Name Phone# Email Address

Campaign Consultant

Media Consultant

Name Phone# Email Address

Mail Consultant

Fundraising Consultant

Field Consultant

Pollster

Campaign Manager

Scheduler

Other Consultants

Staff

Anticipated Budget

Funds Raised To Date

Current/Prior Organizational Membership including union/faith/community

Please attach your biography, a list of current endorsements and any campaign literature you have printed as of this date. Please update to time of candidate forum

Party Affiliation, if any

Policy Questions

1. Briefly describe your top priorities and the policy areas that will be of most interest to you as a Mayor/Council member and what you plan to do about them;
2. What do you think are the three largest challenges facing the city today and what will you do about them?
3. What public leadership or administrative experience do you have? Explain the programs you have developed, implemented or advocated.
4. What can you identify as effective cost-saving strategies for Mobile?
5. What, if any, steps will you take to improve the compensation, including benefits and working conditions, of city workers?
6. What would you do to ensure that less affluent areas of the city receive the same level of services as more affluent area;
7. The City of Mobile recently voted to discontinue bus services and cut back the frequency of bus service to several area. Are you in favor of reinstating those routes and services? Why or why not?
8. Under what circumstances, if any, do you favor privatizing or contracting out government services? List any services contracted out while you were during your term as a public official and your vote on the agenda item.
9. Do you support the rights of citizens hired by the City as permanent, part-time and temporary workers to unionize and/or bargain for better wages, benefits and working conditions? How would you incorporate their concerns into the yearly budgeting process?
10. Please describe what you would do to make the city tax structure more equitable.

11. Under what circumstances do you believe that the state or federal government has the right to pre-empt the decisions of local government entities?
10. Do you believe that there ought to be limits or restrictions on the financial contributions to campaigns of candidates running for local public offices? If so, of what should those limits or restrictions be?
11. Rising health-care costs are increasingly being shifted from the employer and onto workers. Do you see solutions that can reverse this trend;
12. Would you publically advocate for legislators to reverse 2016's HB174, the state law that prohibits local government entities from passing ordinances pertaining to the minimum wages and other labor relations matters?
13. Do you support efforts to insure, everyone, regardless of ability to pay, receives ~~universal access to~~ health care?
14. Do you believe that the state should agree under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) to accept Medicaid Expansion of the federal program for benefits? Do you believe that the Federal Government should repeal and replace the ACA?
15. Will you take money from corporate and big business interests? Will you donate money from your own personal assets to your campaign?
16. In the recruitment and retention of businesses to Mobile, what parameters are made regarding tax subsidies/incentives to ensure the tax breaks are not corporate welfare? What requirements are being made regarding "corporate responsibility" to diversity and inclusion?
17. What actions, if any, do you believe the city should take to address public safety issues including protection of residents from police misconduct?
18. Environmental issues have plagued our city. What hazards do you see to our environment? What steps do you plan to take to insure that the community's environmental interests are protected?
19. The federal government proposes broad changes to our immigration laws and policies. Do you believe these laws and policies are just? Do you believe that local law enforcement should assist federal and state authorities in enforcing these provisions in non-violent crime situations?
20. What steps do you plan to take to revitalize the city? What steps, if any, do you plan to take to ensure that long time residents are not displaced by these efforts?
21. What is your position about charter schools? Under what grounds do you believe kids should be expelled from schools? What do you feel about the equity of current standardized testing procedures?

22. Which of the following actions would you take to support workers engaged in union or association activity such as bargaining and organizing?

Yes	No	Walk picket lines
Yes	No	Mediate with employers
Yes	No	Mediate with building owners
Yes	No	Write letters of support
Yes	No	Fight for proper enforcement of labor laws
Yes	No	Speak out in behalf of workers at a press event
Yes	No	Speak at public event(s)

26. Would you cross a picket line? Yes No

27. A new Wal-Mart distribution center recently gained approval in the area. It has been stated that it will bring 600 trucks per day onto area roads. What is your viewpoint as to traffic and pollutions concerns? What other if any concerns, do you have about Wal-Mart?

29. Are you willing to move City Council meetings to the evenings or other time to make them more accessible to the working citizens?

30. It has been said that the City attempts to balance its budget at the expense of community services. What is your position as to the proper mix between services and the City's balance sheet and financial position?

31. Is there anything else you believe is important for the members of the public to know about you and your campaign as they continue the process of evaluating the candidates and deciding who to support for council or mayor?