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Sent: Sunday, February 17, 2019 8:22 PM
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Subject: Council Questionnaire

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Consent	I certify that I am 18 years of age or older, United States citizen, and a registered voter in Cathedral City, California.
1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	I wish to be a council member to be part of the team that will continue to make Cathedral City a great place to live. Over the years, I have seen the city make great strides that has made the city a place to be proud to live. As a person who has business, teaching, and administrative experience, I believe I will not only complement the current members of the council, I can learn from them as well, sharing expertise in fields that do not currently have. I also have extensive community service, working with my Rotary club. Being on the council will enhance my love of serving the community.
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I have lived in Cathedral City since 1990, (29 years,) in the Panorama area. (District 5). I also have a business in the cove area (District 1) for the past 15 years. Therefore, I not only have residential interests, I have great knowledge of the business arena. I truly believe that although the city has gone to district representation, as a council member, you serve and do what is best for the whole community.
3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?	I would like to see more businesses brought to Cathedral City and I would like to see those activities the city sponsors to become profit making activities. I intend to communicate these priorities to the members of the community by being available to the citizens.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?

The City Manager and staff guides the council. The City Manager and staff each have knowledge in areas in which the council members may not have expertise. Therefore, the City Manager and staff act as advisors for the council.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?

When policy disagreements occur, it is often because there is a lack of understanding of the other's point of view. Having had extensive experience with educational negotiations, I would use those skills to compromise, to understand the other's point of view, and to come to a satisfactory conclusion that will be in the best interest for the residents of the city. I am neither a believer in being disrespectful, nor am I someone who believes in arguing over a disagreement. Communication and understanding with fellow board members will lead to a productive council that will move the city forward.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

The council has excellent representation from the gay community, the business community, and law enforcement. What is missing is gender equity. Fifty percent of the voters in Cathedral City are not represented, and that is the female population. What I will bring to the council is another perspective that is currently lacking on the council. What influences my positions on issues is the result of research and deciding what will be best for the city. I have no political leanings, and no prejudices or biases that will influence my decisions.

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers. *

I want to represent District 1 as a person who lives in this district. I believe we should have representation for this District and not from another District. I want to be a voice for the voiceless and believe I am a fair, honest & compassionate person who works well with all types of people. I do not see why I would not get along with all the current members of this council.

2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside? *

I have lived in Cathedral City for 12 years. I have gotten to know a lot of really great people in the Cove. (District 1). I believe we are a truly unique group of people with big hearts. It is very important to me that we continue to be heard. We are artists, musicians, photographers, dancers, animal lovers and believe in equality for ALL.

3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council? *

1. I would love to see the city do something for the homeless teenagers currently attending High School. 230 kids going to school need to be supported & educated.
2. I will be very interested in where the pot money goes, perhaps this can sponsor the above.

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4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff? *

My understanding is that the staff is under the city manager's control. Our role is to serve the needs of the voters, supervise administrators, officers, formulate policies, exercise city powers, approve operating and capital budgets, approve operating budgets & capital budgets, work towards solid budget proposals, allocate responses for city projects & services, keeping city budgets in line, land use & community development along w/ public services & utilities.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community? *

As a citizen of the United States we always respectfully disagree with others but find it necessary to listen to all points of view. Maybe they have thought of something I haven't and we can come to a fair agreement that satisfies everyone.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council? *

We are very diverse and that's what makes this city so amazing as it is. I want to continue moving us forward and compassionately. I will listen to EVERYONE AND MAKE THE BEST DECISIONS FOR EVERYONE REGARDLESS OF DISTRICT.

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	I would like to serve the city that I love so much. I am a person that is open minded and dedicated to positive outcomes. I believe in the principle of equanimity and Compassion.
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I have lived in Cathedral City since 2005. I own my home which is located at 68823 Risueno Rd. In the Panorama area.
3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?	Creation of more Jobs in our city. Education and the safety of our children.
4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?	The Counsel relates to the issues and demands of the citizens. The City Manager is just that. He (or she) is the administrator of the day to day operations of the employees of the city as well as managing the financial aspects of governance.
5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?	Compromise is always necessary. Respecting others opinions. I do not wake up every day knowing everything.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

I firmly believe I have no right to deny happiness to another. As a member of the Counsel and a servant of the community I would always take advise of others and not consider my views on issues as gospel.

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	I want to be on City Council to represent my community and to give my district a voice when it comes to city issues. My background is different from current council members, I am an electrician by trade and organizer for my local union.
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I have lived in Cathedral City since 2013 and I reside in District 1 in the Whitewater neighborhood.
3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?	My top 2 priorities as council member will be to bring jobs and career opportunities to our residents and to provide the children in my community extra curricular activities through recreation.
4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?	City council acts as an Executive Board for the actions proposed by city staff.
5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?	Disagreements with other members can be handled by keeping the interests of the residents at the forefront of the conversation and by finding a reasonable compromise that will benefit everyone involved.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

Cathedral City is extremely diverse, we have residents of all skin tones and walks of life. However, I do not believe the council demographic accurately represents the cities demographics.

As a member of council I will take this diverse community into consideration when making decisions that will affect our residents. I will make the best choice while keeping in mind everyone who is involved.



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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers. *

Fully retired from Los Angeles County and able to commit 100%.
Unable answer (background) not knowing persons.

2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside? *

Eight years and 3.5 months.
Palm Springs 19 years .
Asked to run for President at my Association complex, was traveling too much at the time to commit.
Reside : Lot 68 of P.S. Panorama.

3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council? *

Water : conserving water. Ways and Means of educating City residence non stop.
Homeless : Educating City residence to reach out to homeless.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff? *

Some P R as Dam Operator. Duties, Rules , Ordinance, Regulations from other Cities differ somewhat.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community? *

5.

Solve problems/disagreements before clock out, just like in a marriage.
 Ability to listen, hear , understand with Patience makes the council better.

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6 How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council. *

Diversity of Cathedral City is the Coachella Valley . Able to communicate with strangers and walk away with a smile.
 Born and raised in Southern California makes me a shoo-in for a diversity person.

I'm not a robot

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.

I would like to continue to serve all of our citizens of Cathedral City as I have done for the past 32 years. I have over 40 years of Public Service, with 33 years of those years in in Law Enforcement. I worked 26 years for the Cathedral City Police Department, rising through the ranks to Chief of Police. I had the honor to be the Chief of Police here for 15 years. After my retirement from the police department at the end of 2010 I was asked by numerous members of our community to run for City Council. In 2012 I was elected to City Council in a citywide election as the highest vote getter. In 2014, I was again asked by numerous community members (including Greg Pettis) to run for Mayor. I had the honor to run unopposed two terms and the privilege to serve four years as Mayor.

I have only been away from City Council for less than 3 months and can hit the ground running. I would like to see to fruition the Agua Caliente casino development, the 13 acres on the S/S of Hwy111, the development north of I10 at Bob Hope, downtown park/amphitheater, the Cathedral Canyon bridge, increased public safety just to name a few. I have a great relationship with our business community and Chamber of Commerce, and had been honored to be selected "Man of the Year" twice (2002 & 2009) and this last year (2018) I was

voted as the “Government Official of the Year” at the Chamber of Commerce Orion Awards. As with other members of City Council in the past four years I have helped balance our city finances, helped control our PERS and OPEB obligations. Increased our Public Safety, road improvements, and opportunities for our communities to celebrate our diversity and to be proud of Cathedral City.

I think my background and experience will complement our current city council, I have served with two of them for over four years on council and have known the other two members for several years. I feel our personalities will complement each other’s and will work well to further the goals of council for the betterment of Cathedral City.

2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?

I have lived in the Coachella Valley for 35 years with 28 years in Cathedral City. All of the 28 years have been in the same neighborhood of Rio Del Sol. I have been involved in my neighborhood in the past as serving on the HOA Board and as the HOA President for many years.

3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?

I would like to continue with the progress of the downtown development, the development north of I10, and the continued city infrastructure improvements. I would also like to see more recreational opportunities for our community, local jobs, better health care and ways all of our community members can benefit from events in our city. Continue working on our fiscal growth and to continue our economic diversity so all members of our community can benefit from the improved economic wellbeing.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?

The role of city council is that of policy maker, establishing goals for our city with the input from our constituents. The role of the city manager is that of “CEO” of our city and is the one who controls and runs the operations of the city, implementing the goals of city council with the help of staff. Staff, are the experts in each of their fields that see that the city runs efficiently for the betterment of our citizens.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?

I believe in our ability to have government that is democratic and to have the ability to have open exchange of values and views. This will help us, come to better decisions about how to conduct the business of our city. We should have civility and value the vote of the majority, with the ability to work towards a compromise when possible. We need to adhere to the City’s Code of Ethics and policies on Social Media/Public Meetings, showing respect to each other and ALL members of our community.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

Cathedral City is rich in diversity throughout the city, and that is what makes Cathedral City a great place to live, work and play. We need to respect all of our diversity and should keep that in mind when city council makes decisions for the communities and city. I have worked my whole career to uphold the rights of others and to respect their values and beliefs. Community means ALL.

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.

After the discussion and decision of the City Council on February 13th to proceed with this application for an at-large appointment to the vacant Council position, (and ignore the intent of the City's ordinance from 2017 creating Districts) it is my sense that this is just a formality and so I am hesitant to submit this application. However, I feel it is my responsibility to all the people who spoke and submitted written comments for filling the vacancy with a representative from District One to complete this process even with my skepticism.

While I had not talked to most of the people in the Council Chambers before the meeting on the 13th and did not know what anyone was going to say I was very pleased to see the large turnout for the city to discuss this important issue and was pleased to see the involvement in this important decision by so many people - ranging from farm workers to union leaders to the gay business association to the cannabis industry to my neighbors and friends. For those who really know me, you would understand how uncomfortable I was with all those who commented on me in particular as I prefer to remain behind the scenes to work with others to accomplish goals rather than achieve recognition. However I was honored to hear some people speak about how I had personally helped them.

You all know that I served on Council for the past 4 years having won an election for a seat with 6 challengers with the highest vote total. I was proud

to campaign, with Greg’s support and assistance, with my colleague and fellow Council member and now Mayor, Mark Carnevale. We campaigned together to unify our city and to move it forward.

Let me start by saying that I would be honored to fill Greg’s seat on the council even though I do not feel anyone could really fill his shoes given his history and experience.

Let’s review the facts: Greg and I were friends and colleagues and agreed on pretty much everything (although I was quite undecided on the Naked Bike Race).

Greg was a gay progressive democrat – so am I.

Greg lived in District 1 even though he was still an at large Council member – I live in District 1 and therefore could run for re-election in 2020. I would like to carry on Greg’s legacy as best I could and I would like to see the projects we have started as Team 2014 come to fruition and help make decisions on a slew of additional opportunities and needs facing the city and its residents and businesses.

Personally, I am a reader and a thinker. Professionally, my 45 year career was as an administrator with a focus on operations, facilities management, budgeting, and planning so I approach things as a City Manager would. I managed over a half billion dollars in construction/renovation projects in today’s dollars, staffs of over 300 people, and an institutional budget of approximately \$250 million in today’s dollars.

I believe I have already demonstrated that I can work well on a Council with differing perspectives and support what is in the best interests of the city. My strengths and approach would compliment the other members of the Council, two of whom I have worked with for the past 4 years.

2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?

I purchased our first home in the city in 2008 and have lived here full time since 2013 and I reside in the Cathedral City Cove which is part of District One.

3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?

I can not limit my priorities to two as there is so much still to be done. Greg and I talked about goals for the coming years and these were some of them that both he and I supported:

Creation of a Community Center for the City that could support the Boys and Girls Club and the Senior Center, help with their financial stability and provide additional much needed facilities for our residents; Continued creation of more housing for the city including low and moderate income housing opportunities

Expanded Health facilities in the city for our residents including the county’s

new Health Center and working with PSUSD on better meeting the health needs of the Dream Homes neighborhood; Implementing additional Place based initiatives to understand how to better provide resources and support for other neighborhoods of the city as we are doing with the Dream Homes; Expanded Project labor agreements and hiring agreements to improve job opportunities in the city and support economic development projects downtown, North of Interstate 10 and on the city corridors; Continued clean up and beautification of the city to improve property values, and attract visitors and other city residents to the city for events, programs and businesses; Expanded Educational opportunities for our residents, working with COD on Cathedral City program locations; Continued support for the growing Cathedral City LGBT population – attract more LGBT businesses to the City working with the new LGBT Business Association; But the most important issue I spoke to Greg about and that he was most passionate about for his year as mayor was creating a task force to address the concerns of our Hispanic population, our growing LGBT community, and ongoing women’s issues. This task force would be made up of community members in an effort to reach out to our public safety departments, focusing on advocacy, increasing awareness of public concerns, and providing support in the hiring process. I have a dozen other items I can add to this preliminary list, such as negotiating a PILOT agreement with the Tribe relative to the new Casino but basically I want to continue Greg’s work in making Cathedral City the most inclusive, diverse, respected and successful city in the valley. As a final note, the City needs to prepare for changes that are coming and that will impact all residents and businesses, not the least of which is a possible recession in 2020-2021, the changes in the nature of the automobile industry and a shake out of the Cannabis industry.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?

The City Council establishes goals, priorities and policy and the City staff implements and manages them in the most efficient and effective manner.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?

Please review the video coverage of the last 4 years of council and study session meeting. We discuss, we vote and we move on to the next item or issue.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence

We are a majority Hispanic city (with a number of subgroups like the El Salvadorian community) with a large senior population, a large family population (a plurality or majority of the students in the three high schools

the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

are from Cathedral City), a large LGBT population, and continue to be growing in diversity. I was the impetus for the City becoming a Sanctuary City, I was also the impetus for the creation of the cannabis industry in Cathedral City in 2014 and for bringing in lawyers from Colorado to create the right ordinances for the business, I was the one who proposed that when we went to districts we pass a resolution expressing that each Councilmember, while representing a District was expected to vote for what was in the best interest of the City as a whole. I have supported the Veterans community, the transgender community and other minority groups and believe we are stronger as a community as we provide representation for all the voices of our community. I believe my record supports my views on the importance of diversity.

Tracey Martinez

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	I have a sustained commitment to public service and consider it a responsibility and privilege to give back to my community. Following my retirement from public education, I served on the Cathedral City Public Arts Commission [5 years] and take pride in the commissions' collective contributions including the installation of four pieces of public art, partnering with Cathedral City elementary schools for the art show, "Our Community in Black & White," and bringing folkloric to the Civic Center. A retired public school administrator, I have served 14 years as principal of elementary schools in Desert Sands and Coachella Valley Unified School Districts. I serve as secretary of the CC Senior Center and host a radio show, "Coachella Thriving" on KCOD/College of the Desert.
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I have lived in Cathedral City for 19 years and have lived in the Coachella Valley since 1981. I currently reside in the Cathedral City cove.
3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?	1. Continued focus on public infrastructure upgrades including the Entertainment District, bridge overpass on Cathedral Canyon, and amphitheater; and focus on filling small business vacancies. 2. Continue exploring solutions for the homeless population.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?

The City Council is the ultimate decision maker regarding polity, budget and planning. The City Council works with the city manager and staff to process relevant information and identify and analyze issues. The City Council votes on matters presented before the council and participates in discussions.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?

There is a natural tension that exists in the process of problem solving. Council members have a responsibility and obligation to the citizens to manage disagreements with solid communication and listening skills, and a willingness to make decisions aligned to the city's stated strategic goals.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

My career in public education afforded me opportunities to interact with diverse populations in three different states to create, in a classroom, school or community, a climate where everybody thrives. The daily interactions between and among teachers, students, family members, PTO, administration, union and community partners, have only served to strengthen my conviction that diversity is our strength, and that most disagreements can be solved with patience, solid information, respect and a dose of humor.

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	The city needs a new face that will work well with others, one without any baggage or personal agendas. I have been a community advocate for many decades and run a community service foundation through out the Caochella Valley. Having a licence as a practicing Registered Nurse & Respiratory Care Practitioner for many years and became Entrepreneur of the month in Entrepreneur Magazine (12/85) for my commitment to the arts while also completing an EPA study on depositional loading and volitilization under the direction of Presidential Adviser Tom Soto of PS Enterprises, I can provide a valued and diverse information with most issues.
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I have been a property owner and resident of Cathedral City for over 13 years. I reside at the Cathedral Villas complex near the corner of Ramon and Cathedral Canyon Drive.
3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?	We need to recreate a cohesive community that has a focus on growth and stability. We are a bridge between two recognized cities and have plenty room for encouraging business for development while attracting visitors to spend more time within our city. B y becoming a better respected community member, we can potentially reexamine the potential of annexing the unincorporated area of Thousand Palms, especially if the plans to develop a

stadium in that community is still moving forward. It would also be good for businesses and residents if we could somehow expedite the planned bridges over the wash areas.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?

The City Council is an Interdisciplinary Team to collect data, exchange ideas and recommend policies that can provide a strong direction for a positive future. The Council also has an obligation to interact with business members, residents, and visitors to better understand the needs and focus for a better community.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?

As a former mental health nurse, I understand that each individual wants to be heard and understood. Every belief has a germ of truth and finding their reasoning will be more productive. Civility is paramount and people need to be respected. Disagreements should only be seen as an exchange of ideas which leads to a cohesive plan.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

I have been an active volunteer and council for the Tolerance Education Center for over 6 years, when I first befriended Earl & Shirley Greif. We are all members of one community and wanting a better future. Diversity is within all of us and needs to be understood and accepted. The only agenda that I hold is to make Cathedral City a destination place with many opportunities. I have given much of my life in providing dignity and respect to all people.

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	“History is made by those who show up.” I believe, as I believed when I served on the city Council from 2002 through 2010 that a municipal body politic has the right to expect a commitment to public service from its residents. I also believe that the members of that body politic must be able to have confidence in the integrity of the process by which policies are developed and implemented. As a licensed attorney with almost 30 years' experience, I am confident that I can work harmoniously with a Council consisting, as this one does, of licensed professionals, business owners, and former members of law enforcement.
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I first came to Cathedral City as a part-time resident in the spring of 1993, and made my relocation permanent when I moved into my residence in Cathedral Canyon Country Club in 1998. I was elected to the Council in 2002 and was reelected in 2006.
3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?	Our priorities for action are, to some extent, what they were when I was first elected to the Council. We must continue to grow a vigorous, sustainable, diverse municipal revenue base unshackled to the vagaries, ups, and downs, of any single economic sector. Retail sales, automotive sales, light industry, and the emerging cannabis industry are all critical components of our municipal

economic well-being. Additionally, we must make sure that our transportation infrastructure is sound. After the recent deluge to which our Valley was subject, all of the CVAG cities find themselves confronting significantly damaged streets and roadways. In the immediate term, among other things, securing funding and entitlements for, building and completing, a bridge across the low water crossing at Cathedral Canyon Drive and the Whitewater wash has become a matter of considerable urgency, particularly in light of any relocation of fire station 411 away from Date Palm Drive.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?

The role of the city Council is to develop, implement, and articulate rational bases for policy. Once the Council has done that, it is emphatically the function of the city manager and city staff to implement that policy as well as possible. It is not the function of the city Council to micromanage the city staff, but it is very much the function of the city staff, as Walter Bagehot might have put it, "to advise, to be consulted, and to warn." I learned early in my previous tenure on the Council that the city staff possesses a deposit of institutional memory that we on the Council cannot. That deposit of institutional memory is worth its weight in gold.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?

Disagreements over policy should never be allowed to become personal. Though not every member of the Council will get along with every other member of the Council all the time, my prior experience as a councilmember was that most matters that came before the Council were able to be unanimously decided. Our lodestar should be to avoid personalizing contentious issues and also to avoid making issues within our competence proxies for a larger state or national debates.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

As an openly gay man, I was drawn to Cathedral City at the outset by its vibrant LGBTQ community. My involvement in our municipal politics began with the Council's consideration of Cathedral city's first-in-the-Valley domestic partnership ordinance in 1997, when I addressed the Council in favor of the proposed ordinance. The ordinance passed, with councilmembers Gary Amy, Sarah Di Grandi, Joe Velasquez, and Greg Pettis voting yes. Since then, I have seen the diversity of Cathedral City grow more expensive and more vibrant with each passing year. Cathedral City, like all of California, expresses its rich diversity, while at the same time being "a place to come home to." That is a California value we should all cherish. I have been proud to call Cathedral City home for more than two decades, largely because it reflects the golden promise of the Golden State. My pride in our diversity informed every decision that I made as a member of the Council during my prior tenure, and will inform every decision of my future tenure.

Tracey Martinez

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	I have seen our city grow and prosper for the 25 years I have been coming to the desert. I believe I have the experience to work with the other council members to help our city to continue on this path. I was a teacher for 24 years; a vice president of the 45,000 (at the time) member United Teachers Los Angeles for 8 years; and I implemented a \$50 million dollar Federal Supplemental Education Services program for 7 years. I have negotiated contracts with vendors and management, handled grievances, organized conferences for 700, wrote budget handbooks and provided professional development to adults, created brochures and other materials, worked with city leaders on a school reform program, and worked with the CA Dept. of Education and the US Dept. of Education.
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I have owned a home in Cathedral City for 10 years and live in Cimarron Cove in District 1.
3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?	My top two priorities as a council member would be: 1. To strengthen and expand current polices so that all our residents feel safe and secure in our city. 2. To enact new policies as needed and to enforce current policies to ensure

that the growth of the Cannabis industry positively affects the residents of our city.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?

Simply put, The City Council decides policy with informational support provided by the City Manager and staff. Once policies are decided, the City Manager and staff facilitate carrying out those policies decided by the Council.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?

For a year, I was on a on a Superintendent's Core Team with 11 members: 3 teachers, 3 school administrators, and 5 central office staff. We prepared a report on elementary education in the LAUSD and confronted and addressed institutional racism in the system. Central staff, administrators and teachers all had differing opinions but the report was a compromise. For 8 years, I was one of 7 elected full-time officers of United Teachers Los Angeles. After the first two years, 6 of the officers changed. All of us disagreed on many topics and loudly voiced our thoughts but came to compromise for the good of the membership on just about every issue. In front of the membership, we tried to speak with one voice.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

First of all, I am a woman, which will add a diverse voice to the current council. As stated above, I was one of three teachers on a Superintendent's Core Team where we addressed the issue of institutional racism in the school system. I taught in Boyle Heights in Los Angeles where the majority of my students were Japanese and then Latinx. I was a union vice president for a teaching staff and student body of just about every ethnicity possible speaking many, many languages. Diversity is the best part of any city. We grow and learn from each other which will only enhance city life. I am aware of and sensitive to the varying needs of diverse populations and my decisions will reflect that.

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	The City Council includes; Mark Carnavale, a business owner, John Aguilar, a retired Riverside County Deputy Director of Housing Authority, Raymond Gregory, a retired Sheriff executive, Ernesto Gutierrez a real estate agent/developer and business owner. These men are all qualified to run Cathedral City from a business aspect. As a pastor and director of an anti-recidivism program, I will bring balance to our City Council. I have dedicated my life to serve others, in the trenches working side by side with residents from our community. I believe, I can fairly represent our diverse and growing city from a community aspect. I am 100% community driven.
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I'm a 30 plus year resident of Cathedral City – who has lived in every district of Cathedral City, D st, Charlesworth, De Anza, Rancho Vista, Pueblo Trail, Ortega, San Eljay, Cottonwood, Vista Chino, 33rd , Wishing Well, Landau, and Corral Road. My family and I now reside in our home on Perlita Road part of District 4.
3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?	My first priority would be to fully engage with the residents of District one, and although I would represent all of Cathedral City I feel like I would owe it to them to feel they are fairly represented. It's not about political party or religious beliefs, sexual orientation, immigration status but the common well fair of our resident's and moving our community forward by making every voice heard.

My second priority would be to bridge the gap between established non-profit organizations. Collaborate with these agencies' and meet our city Need's of homelessness, drug rehabilitation, family and youth resources, mental health, senior citizen wellness and the reduction of recidivism.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?

The role of the city Council and Staff is a partnership with the staff being the asset to the Council. I have sat in many Council Meetings and I have appreciated how staff and council work together for the betterment of our community.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?

I believe every disagreement has common ground. I have respect for different views and have an open mind. The common ground is the people we represent. We need to listen to the people we represent and agree what is the best outcome for our residents.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

I love the diversity in Cathedral City. We have all ethnics' backgrounds living together. It's about embracing and respecting each other's belief without judgment. Diversity is what has made the United States an amazing country. The influence of diversity is to have compassion and understanding of others. Being able to make decisions that include all of our residents. I know there is a balance we can reach for Cathedral City for our city to continue thriving.

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	I would like to be on the City Council to serve as a bridge to help others. Being able to connect with the community, gain their trust and understanding, relate to them and find common ground on which to move forward together is what I have a calling to do. I have worked in Addiction Treatment and currently work with a local Non-Profit (Desert AIDS Project) but in my life, I've also worked in the private sector and know what it takes to get things done. I feel like I would continue to provide balance to the City Council and find ways to get things done in the common interest of our city.
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I have lived in Cathedral City for 5 years but I have been coming to Cathedral City since 1990. My parents had a vacation home here when I was in High School and I ended up living here for my first year of college, at College of the Desert. I currently live in Cimarron Cove.
3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?	I believe the number one priority for Cathedral City should be economic development, since this one issue will solve or at least address, so many others. Cathedral City is the most exciting city to live and work because we are a diverse city with varying innovative ideas to bring new businesses and make sure that our existing businesses are successful. Additionally, I would like to address the issues that have been close to my heart for the last 10 years,

addiction and homelessness. Anyone living in Cathedral City can see the need for this issue to be addressed and also know how this translates into reduced crime rates and economic growth.

4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?

It is my understanding that the City Council are the connection to the constituency and should be composed of those that represent the residents of the city and have the ability to relate to all of the residents. The City Manager and staff are working to implement policy and legislation.

5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?

I believe that this is a key issue at the moment. It is very apparent that there is much division in the national discourse and that is no different on a local level. I am a member of the LGBT community and as such, have left-leaning social viewpoints, but I am originally from Missouri and was raised by very Conservative parents, so I understand both sides of any argument and can relate to opposing viewpoints. I consider myself pretty conservative on many fiscal issues and was actually a registered Republican until 2008. "Working together respectfully for the good of the community" should be on our business cards... this is what we need to be doing, to set an example for other local governments and for our everyday interactions with our neighbors.

6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.

I believe that every resident deserves the respect to be heard. Honestly, the diversity of our city is why I live here. I like that we are not all one demographic. I welcome the opinions of the Latin community. I want to know what the small business owners are worried about. I care about the safety of our children. I honor the specific needs of the LGBTQ community and have worked hard to bring people together. We all see the world through the prism of our own experiences but I like to take those lenses off and see the world from other peoples perspectives, I feel like that is the only way to truly influence peoples positions.

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1. Why do you want to be on the City Council? How does your background complement the backgrounds of the existing Councilmembers.	<p>One of my strongest abilities is to work with diverse work groups. Our City is divided and we need more Councilmembers that are willing to bring our community together to move us forward. I want to be on Council because I know I could make a difference in the two year commitment. I have followed our local government since I ran for Mayor in 2012. I could hit the ground running with VERY little catch up.</p> <p>I retired from municipal government after 35 years. The majority of my career was in public safety, but I have worked in Community Development, HR, Code Enforcement and parks and recreation. I am familiar with how government works, and how to get things done. I understand the unique value of the staff. A government does not create a widget, but they provide services, and that is important to make sure your community understands that.</p>
2. How long have you lived in Cathedral City and in what neighborhood do you currently reside?	I have lived off an on in Cathedral City since 2008. I have lived here full time since full retirement in 2018. I currently live in District 5 near Panorama Park

<p>3. What will be your top two priorities for action if you become a member of the City Council?</p>	<p>Community Development, Public Safety and Code Enforcement. These three things need to be stable before you can attract high end businesses and keep the ones that you currently have.</p>
<p>4. What is your understanding of the role of the City Council in relation to the roles of the City Manager and staff?</p>	<p>The City Council sets the policy and goals for the City. The City Manager then carries out those policies and goals through his Department Heads who then direct staff to prioritize and carry out as they can.</p> <p>The City Manager and his designees advise the Council on goals and policies they may want. He makes sure that the Council understands what is involved, such as staff and financial concerns.</p>
<p>5. How will you handle policy disagreements with other members of the Council while still maintaining the ability to work together respectfully for the good of the community?</p>	<p>In any disagreement someone is most likely not going to get what they want. You must be open minded to the other persons input and values. Ultimately the decision should be for the good of the City, not personal or political desires. If that situation does arise, I would listen to the information they other person is presenting, and keep an open mind. I may have missed something that they can point out, and ultimately will do what is best for the constituents.</p>
<p>6. How do you view the diversity of Cathedral City and how will that influence the positions you take as a member of the City Council.</p>	<p>Cathedral City is a very diverse community. A Councilmember must have the ability to represent all members of the community, not just one segment. With any issue being brought before the Council, I would consult with a diverse group of constituents for their thoughts. Again, ultimately I would try my best to do what is the best decision for the entire City. This is an at large position, but I realize the importance of representing District 1.</p>