

# Candidate Questionnaire

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Thank you for running to serve the people of Sarnia. The Sarnia & District Labour Council represents thousands of working people across our community. Your responses will help our Executive Committee review candidates and make endorsement recommendations to our members and affiliates. Please answer each question in the space provided; feel free to attach additional pages if you need more room.

*Please return your completed questionnaire within 2 weeks of receiving it to Candace Young at [candace.d.parsons@gmail.com](mailto:candace.d.parsons@gmail.com), or by mail to 1086 Modeland Rd, Suite 249, Sarnia, ON N7S 6L2. This form is fillable — you may type your answers directly, save, and email it back.*

## ID CANDIDATE IDENTIFICATION

Candidate name: Chrissy McRoberts

Office sought: City and County Councillor

Ward (if any): N/A

Email:

Phone:

Past elected office: Sarnia City & Lambton County Councillor

Date: August 19, 2026

In 75 words or fewer, tell us why you are running:

I am running because I believe Sarnia needs to put Sarnia first. We need leadership that listens, works with people

## A LABOUR & DECENT WORK

1. Do you support keeping municipal services public and in-house rather than contracting them out or entering public-private partnerships? Identify any services you would protect or consider contracting out, and explain your reasoning.

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Undecided

*Please explain:*

Yes. Core municipal services should remain public and in-house wherever possible. Staff already review operation

2. How will you ensure municipal jobs — and jobs funded by the municipality — remain stable, fairly paid, and unionized? Include your position on temporary/contract labour and subcontracting.

Ongoing municipal work should be performed by a stable, fairly paid, unionized workforce wherever the work is a

3. Will you support Community Benefits Agreements, fair-wage schedules, and local-hiring requirements on major municipal infrastructure and construction projects?

☒ **Yes**    ☐ **No**    ☐ **Undecided**

*Please explain:*

Yes. Where legally permitted, I support Community Benefits Agreements, fair-wage schedules and local-hiring rec

4. Do you support a living-wage policy covering all municipal workers, contractors, and subcontractors, tied to the City's procurement policies?

☒ **Yes**    ☐ **No**    ☐ **Undecided**

*Please explain:*

Yes. Municipal procurement should reflect a living-wage standard for municipal workers and for contractors and s

5. Sarnia's economy depends on turnaround and maintenance work in Chemical Valley. How will you use municipal levers (procurement, permitting, training partnerships with local contractors) to prioritize local, unionized skilled-trades labour?

The City can use procurement, permitting and partnerships with local contractors, unions and training organization

6. Will you commit to meeting regularly with the Sarnia & District Labour Council and its affiliates, and to consulting workers before decisions that affect them, if elected?

☒ **Yes**    ☐ **No**    ☐ **Undecided**

*Please explain:*

Yes. I would commit to regular meetings with the Sarnia & District Labour Council and its affiliates. Workers shoul

7. Lambton County's By-Name List identifies roughly 390 people experiencing homelessness in Sarnia-Lambton, including about 190 who are chronically homeless. What concrete actions will you take on homelessness and supportive housing?

Supportive housing is an important part of the solution, but homelessness will not be solved by one location, one c

8. A County report warned that prematurely closing the Out of the Cold overflow shelter could more than double the unsheltered population. Do you support maintaining overflow and low-barrier shelter options while permanent supportive housing is built?

☒ **Yes**    ☐ **No**    ☐ **Undecided**

*Please explain:*

Yes. Until there is enough permanent supportive and affordable housing, we need safe overflow and low-barrier o

9. Will you support zoning and parking reforms that make supportive and affordable housing easier to approve — rather than changes that stall projects like Indwell's proposed 353 George Street development in Mitton Village?

☒ **Yes**    ☐ **No**    ☐ **Undecided**

*Please explain:*

Yes. I support reasonable zoning and parking reforms that make supportive and affordable housing possible while

10. With more than 900 households on the social-housing waitlist and demand for roughly 2,500 additional affordable units, how will you increase the supply of affordable and non-market housing?

We need to build more affordable housing by making better use of land and infrastructure we already have. I supp

11. Do you support a humane, housing-focused Encampment Response Protocol that connects people to services and housing rather than relying primarily on displacement or policing?

☒ **Yes**    ☐ **No**    ☐ **Undecided**

*Please explain:*

Yes. I support a humane, housing-focused response that connects people with services and housing rather than r

12. Major industrial investment (such as the proposed Northern Shield Energy Corridor pipeline) may add capacity while creating relatively few permanent jobs. How will you ensure new industrial investment translates into good, lasting local jobs?

Major investment should create more than construction activity; it should create opportunities for local workers and

13. The closure of INEOS Styrolution affects local workers. What role should the City play in supporting displaced workers and ensuring a fair transition and retraining?

The City should be an active partner for displaced workers, while recognizing that employment insurance, major re

14. How will you attract and retain diversified jobs, commerce, and investment beyond petrochemicals — for example downtown, the port and waterfront, clean technology, and small business?

We need to diversify while continuing to recognize the importance of the Chemical Valley. That means supporting

15. Will you support apprenticeships, Red Seal skilled-trades training, and youth and local hiring through municipal projects and procurement — and if so, how?

☒ Yes    ☐ No    ☐ Undecided

*Please explain:*

Yes. Municipal projects and procurement should create opportunities for apprentices, Red Seal trades, youth and

16. How will you support revitalization of downtown Sarnia and Mitton Village and strengthen local small businesses?

Downtown and Mitton Village need investment, activity and confidence. The City should make it easier to do busin

17. Aamjiwnaang First Nation and nearby Sarnia neighbourhoods face benzene and cumulative air-pollution exposure. What actions within municipal jurisdiction will you take to protect residents' health?

Within municipal jurisdiction, I would focus on strong emergency planning, land-use planning, clear public commun

18. Will you advocate to provincial and federal governments for cumulative-effects air-pollution assessment and stronger monitoring and enforcement in Chemical Valley?

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Undecided

Please explain:

Yes. Air pollution does not stop at municipal boundaries, and the City should advocate strongly to the provincial and

19. What specific actions will you take to implement and accelerate Sarnia's climate and emissions-reduction plans?

We should focus on practical actions we can measure: improving energy efficiency in municipal buildings, reviewing

20. How will you protect and expand access to affordable public transit and safe active transportation?

Public transit needs to be affordable, reliable, accessible and useful to the people who depend on it. I support protect

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## GOVERNANCE, SERVICES & RECONCILIATION

21. Which public services (water and wastewater, waste, transit, libraries, recreation, emergency services) do you believe must always remain publicly delivered, and how will you strengthen them?

Water and wastewater, waste services, transit, libraries, recreation and emergency services are essential public s

22. How will you advance meaningful reconciliation with Aamjiwnaang First Nation and the broader Indigenous community at the municipal level?

Meaningful reconciliation starts with respect, listening and building a relationship that continues beyond individual

23. How will you ensure transparency, accessibility, and meaningful public engagement in municipal decision-making — and how will residents know whether you are delivering on your commitments?

Residents should be able to see what decisions are being made, why they are being made and what results follow

24. What is one decision you would make that may be unpopular in the short term but necessary for the long-term well-being of working people in Sarnia?

I would make the difficult budget choices necessary to protect Sarnia's long-term affordability. That means finding

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#### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

I believe Sarnia can do better by putting Sarnia first, listening to working people, protecting essential public service

*Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire and for your commitment to building a stronger community for working people in Sarnia.*