

Potential Questions for Candidates

The questions below were developed by North Mecklenburg Communities United, North Mecklenburg Economic Mobility Collaborative and Unity in Community North Mecklenburg. We encourage you to consider these when asking questions at any of the Candidate Forums.

1. Describe a policy for which you would advocate in your town to assure affordable/ attainable housing is available and sustainable.
2. Tell us what you have done in the past two years to advocate for affordable/ attainable housing in your community.
3. As you may know, a monument of a Confederate soldier stands near Mt. Zion United Methodist Church in Cornelius. Unity in Community is advocating for its removal/relocation. Please share your perspective about the monument and its place in our community.
4. Each of the three towns, Cornelius, Davidson, and Huntersville, has recently received millions of dollars from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Tell us what you will do to see that these funds are distributed to the communities, groups, or individuals for which these funds are intended, in a transparent and fair manner.
5. Tell us the last time you visited and spoke with residents in the African American and Latinx communities in your town. Share some of the concerns raised and any action that you have taken or will take to address them.
6. Describe some ways that you could more fully involve African American and Latinx residents in the decision-making processes of your town.
7. Tell us what you will do to create and/or approve new town ordinances that will require developers who desire to build new homes adjacent to or within established low-income neighborhoods to build a high percentage of their homes to be attainable for those who are currently living in those neighborhoods.
8. Tell us about any anti-racism training in which you have participated. What was the impetus for the training and your biggest take-away?
9. Tell us how you support, or will support, current community efforts to designate African American historic buildings as local historic landmarks?