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1. Please list your top three priorities if elected to the Ada County Commission.

Lowering Taxes, Slowing County Growth (Population), Stop Wasteful Spending.

2. In your view, what are the top three challenges currently facing Ada County?

High taxes, accelerated growth, and wasteful spending.

3. What specific steps would you take as a Commissioner to address those issues?

Lower property tax, sales tax, grocery tax. Cut unneeded spending and programs.

4. What separates you from the other candidates running for your district?

I am willing to do what is needed and just not talk about solving a problem. Tackling the issues and solving them.

5. What do you see as the most pressing needs for infrastructure or capital projects in the county?

Each situation deserves an individual response to a need regarding these issues. Taking one situation at a time and deciding what needs to be remedied. Looking at all aspects of each individual situation.

6. What is your experience with preparing or authorizing budgets?

Being a business owner in Ada County, and owning businesses in four different western states I understand what it takes to lead in all budget situations. That includes situations that are not expected like COVID-19 that has ruined many small businesses. In an American economy, corporate must follow the lead of small business which is the backbone of Idaho and America.

7. Do you feel property taxes are too high in Ada County? If your answer is yes, please explained what you can do as a Commissioner to reduce property taxes.

Property taxes is putting a strangle hold on homeowners. I believe it must be lowered to a minimum.

8. How do you propose to manage the growth that Ada County is experiencing?

Slowing population growth is a must. Idaho, and Ada County in general has become a magnet for out of state seekers looking for a better life. Unfortunately, they bring their problems with them. The issue needs to be curbed and solved. Limits to those coming from other states must be in place.

9. With that growth comes challenges for our transportation infrastructure to keep pace, how do propose we approach the transportation issues in Ada County?

I am in full gear to work with state legislators to bring Amtrak back to Boise, and a local rail system already in place by using the same tracks as Boise Valley Railroad (BVRR – Watco). A short line (Commuter) from Mountain Home to Nampa. Each issue needs its own separate attention which will be looked at extensively.

10. Would you support legislation to allow counties and cities to have local option taxing authority?

No

If yes, for what purposes would you support it and what, if any, specific requirements do you feel should be in place? If no, why not?

If you allow counties to have taxation power, the state will soon become California. Do you want that? California is a cesspool of dependent citizens relying on government. Counties have enough trouble with their wasteful spending. You place taxation to go along with the spending and it is a cocktail for disaster.

11. How can Ada County help Meridian businesses recover from the damage caused by the coronavirus pandemic?

Meridian businesses are now ready to open in full. I took COVID-19 very seriously by isolating myself for fifteen days, and then giving my time to work at COVID test sites in Ada County. I have seen the virus on both sides of the spectrum. With the data we are receiving daily we realize that the numbers do not match the fear. Time to pull up the bootstraps and get back to work. We can trust individual business owners to make the right proper decision for their specific business. Business owners know what is best for their business and not government.