

Candidate: Royce Duplessis		
Question	Responses	Average Score
Will you support legislation that aims to identify and secure additional funding sources, including a dedicated revenue source for the Louisiana Housing Trust Fund?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	Although our state grapples with a billion dollar fiscal cliff, the opportunity for citizens to have safe, stable, and affordable housing is tantamount to sustaining our precious communities. I would propose or support any legislation aimed at securing funding for the LHFT and fighting against any efforts to reduce its funding.	5.2
Will you support legislation that aims to secure remaining short-term rental taxes for the Louisiana Housing Trust Fund?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	While short-term rental taxes are important for purposes of enforcement, it is also critical that a sizable portion of that revenue be dedicated to creating more affordable housing due to the direct linkage/causation of short-term rentals and its impact on the limited housing stock, access, costs, etc	4.8

Will you support legislation that aims to secure funding for housing programs for people who were formerly incarcerated?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	In order to effectively support such legislation, it begins with understanding the importance of housing programs for returning citizens and all formerly incarcerated citizens. The first three days after someone's release from prison can determine their future, and likelihood of recidivism. Programs like First 72+ provide a critical resource for returning citizens and they must be supported. In addition to funding, our policies should not exclude individuals with criminal convictions from accessing housing once they have paid their debts to society.	4.66666667
Will you support legislation that proposes additional property tax relief for low-income homeowners facing increases in property assessments based on how long they have lived in their home, and their income?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	I support the concept of freezing taxes for homeowners who meet certain criteria regarding age, income, and length of homeownership. If the argument can be made that corporations deserve a predictable climate for doing business, homeowner deserve predictability, stability, and the ABILITY to remain in the homes they purchased years ago. The forgone tax revenue to the City/ State is worth it for the sake of fairness and preservation of our residents.	5.3

Will you support legislation that aims to secure public development protocol that dedicates public school property for affordable housing development?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	This question requires more research and information. However, I would look forward to working closely with the GNOHA consortium to develop the most efficient and effective legislative mechanism for achieving the dedication of public school property for affordable housing development.	4.6
Will you support legislation that incentivizes the use of blighted property programs to redevelop declining properties?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	This should be everyone's goal. As we deal with this housing crisis, blight continues to plague our City. Incentives to redevelop blighted properties should absolutely be supported, with a special emphasis on ensuring that low-income residents have an opportunity to rent and/or purchase the redeveloped properties.	4.8

Interview/Forum (Max - 20 points)		18.2
Bonus/Penalty for Voting Record (Max - 10)		7.4
Total Score		90.9666667

Candidate: Dan Faust		
Question	Responses	Average Score
Will you support legislation that aims to identify and secure additional funding sources, including a dedicated revenue source for the Louisiana Housing Trust Fund?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	I am very much in favor of rebuilding blighted and damaged neighborhoods, but prefer to do so in such a way that encourages whole home development and modernization. I am a proponent of looking at all existing sources of revenue, particularly Corporate Tax exemptions that are deemed ineffective.	3.333333333
Will you support legislation that aims to secure remaining short-term rental taxes for the Louisiana Housing Trust Fund?	Yes	6

If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	I am not a fan of Short-Term Rentals without a homestead provision that limits the number of homes a single person can own and generate profit from. This has destroyed our neighborhoods and priced out many long term residents with property taxes rising. Priority would be given to those who are in danger of losing their homes because of tax liens that have accrued and are unable to pay because of fixed income restrictions.	3.666666667
Will you support legislation that aims to secure funding for housing programs for people who were formerly incarcerated?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	Absolutely. Housing and job placement should be a priority for people who have been released from incarceration. Common sense dictates that to put a person out with just a few dollars and no where to go wouldn't be wise in an unforgiving world.	3.666666667
Will you support legislation that proposes additional property tax relief for low-income homeowners facing increases in property assessments based on how long they have lived in their home, and their income?	Yes	6

If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	Absolutely. Too many neighborhoods have priced out long term residents. This has to stop. These families and communities are what make this city so amazing, this gentrification process of forced liquidation is inhumane.	3.833333333
Will you support legislation that aims to secure public development protocol that dedicates public school property for affordable housing development?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	Once again, I do not favor high number multi-unit properties, I prefer whole home development. Unfortunately this is not the case with several areas in district 93, but to the extent that they exist, they should be preserved. I am also in favor of public education, not charter education, so dedicating existing OPSB property should be closely looked at.	3

Will you support legislation that incentivizes the use of blighted property programs to redevelop declining properties?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	Absolutely. Blight should be managed in such a way to help improve the communities and preserve long term residents and families. Miniature local park for open terrain, rebuilding for destroyed homes to bring new residents and families to expand the community.	3.666666667
Interview/Forum (Max - 20 points)		8

Bonus/Penalty for Voting Record (Max - 10)		5
Total Score		70.16666667

Candidate: Eldon Anderson		
Question	Responses	Average Score
Will you support legislation that aims to identify and secure additional funding sources, including a dedicated revenue source for the Louisiana Housing Trust Fund?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	Determining where the need is specific to demographic and location. Present a needs based plan to members in support of the housing trust fund. Refine the plan created. Gain support from those in need using social and petition options. Express importance of the mandatory need for affordable housing in this city that continues to attract high wage healthcare workers which increases housing cost. City workers, hotel workers and the remaining service industry will be lost and forced to move out thus creating housing vacancies and employees to maintain our tourist industry. Push for a bill to be voted on.	4.3333333
Will you support legislation that aims to secure remaining short-term rental taxes for the Louisiana Housing Trust Fund?	Yes	6

If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	The activity surrounding short term rental is favorable to some and unfavorable to most. Therefore the issues will be brought to light. While I am not in support of short term rentals, if the state indeed supports them, I will push for a tax that will incorporate dollars in support of those excluded from the plan.	4
Will you support legislation that aims to secure funding for housing programs for people who were formerly incarcerated?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	Yes, this is an area of concern that needs to be identified and discussed. The track for reformed prisoners are not in alignment with daily life fundamentals. Education, housing and recovery programs has to be in place just as they are while in prison. There must be funding for transition. Dollars fenced for theses reasons are important.	4.6666667
Will you support legislation that proposes additional property tax relief for low-income homeowners facing increases in property assessments based on how long they have lived in their home, and their income?	Yes	6

If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	Increasing property tax is one way to silently drive out our working class low wage workers from their communities. Relief for the low income class will ensure security for those that has earned the opportunity to own property and not be subjected to legislation that has an agenda to remove many from the fruits of their labor.	4.6666667
Will you support legislation that aims to secure public development protocol that dedicates public school property for affordable housing development?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	I support both. The need for affordable housing development and support development for schools. However, there are risk that must be analyzed before securing school property in return for affordable housing. If the areas are deemed demoralized and recognized as blight, then the determination of prioritized options must be made.	4.8333333

Will you support legislation that incentivizes the use of blighted property programs to redevelop declining properties?	Yes	6
If so, how or in what ways will you support this legislation?	Yes. Blighted property redevelopment will ensure that we can create new zones of families that spawn pockets of economic impacts. This will encourage opportunities for new schools and reasons to attract teachers for employment. The hosts of reasons to incentivize blighted property will serve a higher need over generational lifespans versus the upfront cost.	4.9333333
Interview/Forum (Max - 20 points)		13.666667
Bonus/Penalty for Voting Record (Max - 10)		5

Total Score		82.1
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