

Candidate Name: Donald Barber
Campaign Website: N/A

The Economy:

1. How would you ensure Mississauga remains an attractive community in which to invest and conduct business?

I have put forward a plan that is as bold as problems it would solve, are big. Continuous Communities or Jobs for Life. Currently the issue of transit plagues many cities that were not planned. Leadership is needed not only in Mississauga but across Canada, if not the world, to not only solve this problem but to profit from it. In simple terms it involves ways to get people to use existing transit methods and to be able to install transit into sections of cities that need it but were not planned or money set aside for. Examples include - making Mississauga a transit entrance point for Toronto. GO parking lots can be covered at low cost to make sure they can be used in all winter conditions. A must if you want people to use all year round. Hydro corridors can be used for rail also and in Mississauga they cut right across Mississauga. Above ground rail can also be covered to make all weather and done to contain the noise they would make. In the cities themselves, rail can be installed over roadways at a lower cost than subways and can help cover the road as well.

Truly there are ways to profit solving our problems and creating an industry necessary for growth in the rest of Canada.

There are elements of housing in this plan but transit would come first and is very doable.

There far more than just what is noted here.

More details are found here -

http://cawthra-bush.org/NEW_URBAN_DEVELOPMENT/CONTINUOUS_COMMUNITIES.html

2. What role do you see the Mayor's Office playing in promoting economic development?

The usual - promoting Mississauga to all levels of government and to business interests to invest in what Mississauga has to offer. And of course seeing that "Continuous Communities or Jobs for Life" plan is given the attention it needs for everyone's good.

Civic Governance:

3. **How would you ensure that municipal taxes remain competitive with other jurisdictions?**

As the books for Mississauga have been cooked for years and Mississauga is effectively BILLIONS in DEBT because it needs to pay for repairs its infrastructure - money it doesn't have. It would be foolish make promises about taxes before we all see how badly Mississauga has been [Financial Mismanagement](#).

4. **How would your administration help support a business friendly environment with respect to regulations, zoning, and dealings with the municipal government?**

By making it fair and open to all. Currently, many decisions are politically controlled, in one way or another.

5. **How would you work to contain municipal costs, including labour costs?**

There needs to be far more openness into how the work is being done in and by the City.

Employment:

6. **Describe your plans for supporting effective employment growth strategies?**

The "Continuous Communities or Jobs for Life" plan will be a great boom for the whole City.
Even if we just use it for our City.

7. **How would your administration help support effective employment integration for newcomers and opportunities for young people?**

Many of the old staff - Hazel's team would have to go.

New blood, new ideas and spirit.

Infrastructure:

8. How would you address traffic congestion in Mississauga?

See above {the "Continuous Communities or Jobs for Life" plan.}

9. What are your plans to improve public transit in the community?

See above {the "Continuous Communities or Jobs for Life" plan.}

10. How do you propose funding those plans?

The "Continuous Communities or Jobs for Life" plan would be of such a great help to Canada all levels of government would be happy to help. Getting business involved to invest is one of the key elements, to figure this out as it is a new way of doing business.

11. How will you ensure that the City's maturing infrastructure is maintained and/or improved upon?

Again - have to see the books. The "Continuous Communities or Jobs for Life" plan would change the whole picture of what needs to be done and how.

12. How do you envision funding infrastructure renewal?

Yes - see above {the "Continuous Communities or Jobs for Life" plan.}

Candidate Experience and Suitability:

13. Describe your experience, including professional, business, community leadership, and public exposure.

More than 20 years of standing up for the Community for a number of causes and being successful at it. In the same time became very aware how business is done at Mississauga City hall and government in general. Very good at taking things apart, fixing them and rebuilding them better.

14. Describe your experience and knowledge of the workings of municipal government and public policy.

See the answer to question #.13.