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Are you now, or have you ever been, a union member? If yes, when, where and what union were you affiliated with?	I have never been a union member. I have advocated for the cannabis industry to unionize though. It's a tough battle when workers are forced to be grateful just for having "such a cool job".
What would be your priorities as an elected official? What policies or coalitions do you see yourself leading?	I am dedicated to Environmental and Social justice through community-wide engagement and modernization. I don't think we should be stifling revenue opportunities because of moral hindrances. I am dedicated to a \$15.00 minimum wage and ensuring our most vulnerable homeless residents get the help they need as soon as possible. I know longtime Colorado residents who have nearly died from homelessness and that's the section of the homeless population I want to focus on. I have had a lot of pushback on my \$15.00 minimum wage proposal, but only from business owners and never the Layman. As a man who has worked since he was 14 years old, coming from an extremely poor family I know putting more cash in women's and other marginalized peoples pockets can truly help lift up this community. I am a member of the League of Women Voters and they fully back my \$15.00 minimum wage proposal. Many Key members of the Longmont Area Dems support my platform, as I have integrated myself into that group quite nicely. I am a student, so I want to give student workers a voice. I am sitting down with the president of PFLAG to speak about becoming a board member of PFLAG because I have new and different ideas to help make SVVSD schools just as inclusive as BVSD. Teen suicide is an atrocity, and much of it can be attributed to LGBTQ bullying. I want to increase cannabis business options, while also increasing their environmental performance and holding their working conditions to a higher standard.
Of the policies and coalitions that you have prioritized, where do you see Labor being a key stakeholder and how do you plan to engage us on these issues?	Again, I am still focused on the Unionization of the Cannabis Industry. I have been fired for being apart of the LGBTQ community, terminated 3 times Aat will, scapegoated for investigations, experienced no OT 12 hours days many many times, and have been misclassified all in the cannabis industry in the last 4 years. While I have never worked for a union, I have dreamed of working for a union. We need unions so bad that I went back to school for social justice in America, and unionization and ending Aat will termination at big goals, but we can make resolutions to improve working conditions for many Coloradans.
For non-City of Boulder candidates: City employees, who provide critical public services, lack the rights that most take for granted: the right to form a union and negotiate wages, benefits, and working conditions with their employer. They do not automatically have the right to collectively bargain. How would you address this issue?	Contract City workers currently have a \$15.00 minimum wage. I am going to raise the wage for all workers (including city workers) to \$15.00/hr. I am unfamiliar with the granular details of why they cannot form a union but am happy to work with BALC to initiate the process to grant them their rights to collectively bargain. This includes sponsoring a policy.

In your first term, would you work with BALC to sponsor a policy granting collective bargaining rights to city employees?

Yes

Privatization of public services can reduce city expenditures, but often result in poorer quality services and lower wages for service employees. Under what circumstances would you advocate against the privatization of public services? If so, what tangible steps would you take to prevent this from happening?

I'm glad you asked. I don't think telling RTD they are "smoking crack" is an effective policy measure to deal with how much money they are stealing from us. I have looked at their internal audits from the preceding 3 years. They state they only make 1 million dollars a year and I just do not buy it. They have been extremely irresponsible with our money and we deserve the light rail we paid for. I want to sign a resolution asking Jared Polis to conduct an external audit of our ENTIRE RTD system. Massive public works are not intended to be in a public-to-private partnership. Privatizing public transportation is an oxy-moron in of itself. I want to help undo the damage some of our P2P partnerships have already done.

The right to freely organize a union

Yes

The right to collectively bargain

Yes

The right to wages and benefits that improve the living standards of families

Yes

The right to full equality on the job

Yes

The right to a safe workplace and decent working conditions

Yes

The right to speak and be heard, without punishment

Yes

The right to a pension and a healthy retirement

Yes

The right to strike when necessary

Yes

Would you support the Use of Best Value metrics, as opposed to lowest responsible bidder for vendors supplying the City with goods or services?

Absolutely. Updating our materials code for Zoning and Planning will definitely support best value metrics.

Would you support creation of a Local Minimum Wage by CityCouncil?

100%. It's on my agenda and if my opponent says he agrees, I would beg to differ.

Would you support licensing requirements for marijuana and hemp retail and grows that encourages high labor standards and favorable treatment of union shops?

100%. That's honestly a spectacular idea.

Would you support a state-wide employee paid family leave policy?

Unequivocably.

Your city has an affordable housing crisis. What steps would take to address this problem?

Increasing P2P partnerships. Increasing tax revenue through cannabis consumption lounges and local tourism specifically for dealing with affordable housing. Updating our Zoning and Planning code to include higher-density housing. Support the use of Cycloterra's vision of high density and low car use. We spend 90% of our space on highways and parking lots and there is just a better way. Decreasing our parking requirements for all builders. Cut tie-in fees for truly affordable housing not based on market value, but based on wages. Reach out to European city planners. Creating a priority list of our most vulnerable residents through field research. I intend on speaking with Kevin Krizer (a professor at CU Boulder) regarding European city building. Raise taxes on "wasted land" (Empty Fields of grass in high-density retail or residential areas). I am going to get SO creative when it comes to dealing with the issue. Longmont is at 2/5ths capacity and we have tons of reserved and wasted space ready to be developed differently. I don't want to see \$500k houses to continue to go up, and luxury condo's no one can afford downtown. I have

Why do you believe it is in the best interests of the BALC and its members to endorse your candidacy?

I have finished the Questionnaire, and I am ready to submit my final copy:

been a part of the housing crisis in Boulder County. I have moved 5 times in 4 years. We need someone who understands the issue to help make it better.

I am the candidate who has the workers interests in mind. We are the ones who make the business owners their money, so we deserve a higher quality of living than starvation wages. I can say WE because I am apart of that community who receives those wages. I am the candidate who has spent the last 8 months researching community need outside of national need. Hot take: they coincide. I am the candidate who will work tirelessly to ensure Longmont becomes more equitable.

YES