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QUESTION 1: The City of Edmonton should take more action to make municipal land available for low-income affordable housing development (eg. surplus school land).

No answer.

QUESTION 2: There is not enough subsidized housing in some neighbourhoods, and the City must ensure a better distribution in all neighbourhoods throughout Edmonton.

No answer.

QUESTION 3: The City should seek to use zoning flexibility (on issues such as required parking spaces) to support the development of more affordable housing initiatives.

No answer.

QUESTION 4: The City should commit funding to extend the Cornerstones Affordable Housing program.

No answer.

QUESTION 5: The City should create a comprehensive plan to address the need for thousands of units of affordable housing in a comprehensive and coordinated way that includes attention to schools, public transportation, and community services.

No answer.

QUESTION 6: The City is doing a good job to end chronic homelessness through the current 10 Year Plan and the work of the Edmonton Homeless Commission.

No answer.

QUESTION 7: The City must be more active in advocating with the provincial and federal governments for more funding and better policies on affordable housing.

No answer.

QUESTION 8: The City must develop better ways to gather views of all residents about housing issues and not depend so significantly on input from community leagues and developers.

The City's current dependence on developers for input is putting home ownership or even rental out of reach for many, especially young people and young families starting out. Home ownership in new subdivisions and infill projects is sadly a far-away dream for many, and rental vacancy rates are too low. More affordable rental units need to be built so everyone can be housed comfortably.

QUESTION 9: Finally, you may provide any additional comments about any other aspects of housing and homelessness.

No answer.