Questions to ask Municipal Candidates

Below are 4 questions to be asked of Municipal Candidates either in person (e.g., at candidate forums, when knocking on your door, at summer events, etc.). In turn, it is highly recommended that you and/or your local association write/email each candidate asking for their written response, which you will share with your membership. In the letter you would introduce your local association and its purpose. As well, thanking for their time in responding. You may wish to add lines or a space between the questions when asking for written responses.

- 1. A number of Alberta municipalities have made a commitment to employ individuals with developmental disabilities and have acted on that commitment. How will you ensure your municipality becomes an inclusive employer of individuals with developmental disabilities or expands its existing commitment?
- 2. How will you ensure your municipality's recreation, leisure and cultural programs are welcoming and inclusive of children and adults with developmental disabilities?
- 3. The lack of accessible and available transportation is a major challenge, limiting individuals with disabilities from fully participating in all aspects of community life. What actions will you be taking to improve the availability of accessible public transportation for individuals with disabilities?
- 4. Across Alberta and Canada there is increased interest in affordable and accessible housing for individuals with disabilities. We are also interested in inclusive housing, in contrast to congregate social housing. Would you be willing to work with us on creating municipal policies and practices that support affordable, accessible and inclusive housing?