

### 2022 Fernie Municipal Election All-Candidates Forum

Date: Tuesday 4 October 2022  
Time: 5:45pm – Candidates registration & briefing  
6:00pm – Doors open to public  
6:30pm – Forum commences  
9:15pm – Forum concludes (approximately)  
Location: Fernie Community Centre (902 Highway 3, Fernie)  
Forum will be filmed and the recording made available for the public that next day  
Moderator: Glen Purdy, Q.C., M.S.M.  
Questions: Questions for council candidates from the public to be submitted in advance of forum to [election@fernichamber.com](mailto:election@fernichamber.com). Questions for mayor candidates from the public to be submitted in writing on the night of the event.

#### **Format**

5:30pm Candidates allowed into Community Centre. There will be tables at the back of the room for candidate information (hand-outs, flyers, etc).  
5:45pm Candidates must be on-site, pre-event briefing, council candidates draw for question number, all candidates draw for order of opening remarks.  
6:00pm Doors open to the public.  
6:30pm Forum commences with welcome and introductions. Brief explanation of format and rules.

#### **PART 1 – COUNCIL CANDIDATES**

6:40pm Council candidate introductions. 3 minutes for each candidate to introduce themselves and their platforms. Order of speaking determined by draw. A warning bell will be heard 15 seconds prior to the allocated time for each candidate.  
7:30pm Each council candidate to be asked a unique pre-submitted question from the public. 2 minutes for each candidate to answer. Question order determined by draw. There will be no questions from the floor for council candidates. A warning bell will be heard 15 seconds prior to the allocated time for each candidate.

Each candidate will be given 1 rebuttal card. 30 seconds will be given each time a rebuttal card is used in response to another candidates' answer. A warning bell will be heard 15 seconds prior to the allocated time for each candidate.

8:10pm Council candidate portion concludes.  
10 minute break while stage is reset for mayor candidates.

## **PART 2 – MAYOR CANDIDATES**

8:20pm Mayor candidate introductions. 5 minutes for each mayor candidate to introduce themselves and their platforms. Order of speaking determined by draw. A warning bell will be heard 15 seconds prior to the allocated time for each candidate.

8:30pm Mayor candidates field questions from the floor. 2 minutes for each candidate to answer. A warning bell will be heard 15 seconds prior to the allocated time for each candidate.

Each mayor candidate will be given 2 rebuttal cards. 1 minute will be given each time a rebuttal card is used in response to another candidates' answer. A warning bell will be heard 15 seconds prior to the allocated time for each candidate.

All questions from the floor will be submitted in writing and asked by the moderator. Moderator will direct the question to one or both candidates, at his discretion.

9:00pm 3 minutes closing statement for each candidate in reverse order to opening.

9:10pm Closing remarks from moderator and adjournment.

### **Items to note**

- Candidates to arrive promptly as instructed so the forum runs on time.
- There will be no closing remarks for council candidates.
- Every effort will be made to ensure a balance of questions and time given to each candidate.
- There are many candidates running this election and a short amount of time. We ask for candidates to adhere to the format and rules explained above and stick to the times allotted.
- Candidates are to RSVP to the Executive Director of the Fernie Chamber to indicate their participation in the forum no later than Tuesday 27 September 2022 at 5:00pm local time.

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