Republican City Candidate Scorecard 2019

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The Republican Liberty Caucus Lake-Sumter seeks to advance within the Republican Party the principles of individual rights, limited government and free markets.

To that end, on September 23, 2019, following our Republican City Candidates Meet & Greet held at the Mission Inn, we emailed a questionnaire to each Candidate for the purpose of determining their governing philosophies and how well they aligned with our caucus core principles.

We are grateful to those Candidates who chose to participate as they provided what we believe to be their honest and forthright answers to our questions. We reviewed each Candidate answer and assigned a numeric score based on how well each answer aligns with our caucus position. We then determined an overall letter grade for each Candidate. The scoring method we used is included as well as a link to the actual completed questionnaires returned to us by the Candidates.

We also extend our gratitude to each of these candidates for their enthusiasm, civic dedication and willingness to step into the public arena and serve as leaders in our community.

It is our hope that this scorecard will advance our core principles while informing fellow Republican voters and our community at large of the governing philosophy of these Republican Candidates.

In Liberty,

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	Republican City Candidate Questionnaire 2019 [Sent to Candidates 9/23/2019]		
ITEM	**TOPIC**	**QUESTION**	**RLC L-S Position**
Q1	Economic Development	Corporate Welfare is defined as any government program or spending that provides unique benefits or advantages to specific companies or industries, such as direct grants, loan guarantees, and tax breaks. Would you support or oppose defunding or eliminating certain economic development programs that would meet the definition of corporate welfare?	Support (1)
Q2	Taxes/Budget	Do you support a thorough budget review to find ways to reduce spending?	Support (1)
Q3	Taxes/Budget	Would you support or oppose raising taxes to balance the budget?	Oppose (1)
Q4	Taxes/Budget	Would you support or oppose raising fees to balance the budget?	Oppose (1)
Q5	Transportation	Do you support or oppose the use of red-light cameras?	Oppose (1)
Q6	Environment	Would you support or oppose putting a limit on how much land can be owned by state and local governments for conservation purposes?	Support (1)
Q7	Environment	In many cases municipal and county wastewater treatment systems have become major contributors to surface water pollution due to inadequate capacity and aging infrastructure that hasn't been properly maintained and upgraded over time. What solutions do you propose for the upgrading and proper maintenance of wastewater treatment systems?	**Properly Maintain Existing Infrastructure**
Q8	Gun Rights	"Red Flag Laws", as they are commonly referred to, typically provide for the issuance of Risk Protection Orders allowing for the seizure of an individual's legally owned firearms under certain circumstances. In your opinion, does this type of law adequately protect individual due process rights?	**No or Oppose (1)**
Q9	Gun Rights	Do you support or oppose banning the manufacture, sale or possession of semi-automatic firearms and/or large capacity magazines?	Oppose (1)
Q10	Gun Rights	Do you support or oppose eliminating restrictions on law-abiding gun owners from carrying a firearm in certain so-called "Gun Free Zones"?	Support (1)
Q11	Term Limits	Do you support or oppose an 8-year term limit for local/ county elected officials?	Support (1)
Q12	Education	Do you support or oppose charter schools, voucher programs or any other school choice initiatives?	Support (1)
Q13	Education	Do you support or oppose allowing properly trained and certified teachers and administrators to carry concealed weapons on school grounds?	Support (1)
Q14	Immigration	Do you support or oppose recently passed SB 168 – Federal Immigration Enforcement prohibiting sanctuary policies?	Support (1)

RLC L-S Numeric Scoring per Question
1 = Agree with RLC L-S Position, 0.5 = Commented but Candidate Position Undetermined, 0 = Disagree with RLC L-S Position

Alpha Scoring Designation
A = 90-100% [12.6 - 14]
B = 80-89% [11.2 - 12.5]
C = 70-79% [9.8 - 11.1]
D = 60-69% [8.4 - 9.7]
F = 0-59% [0 - 8.3]

Republican City Candidate Scorecard 2019 [Based on Candidate Questionnaire Responses]

City of Clermont

	CANDIDATE	SCORE	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	SUM
Seat 2	Joe Gustafson	D	0	1	0	0	0.5	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	8.5
Seat 2	James (Jim) Purvis	B	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0.5	0	1	11.5
Seat 4	Heidi Brishke	F	QUESTIONNAIRE NOT RETURNED														0
Seat 4	Ebo Entsuah	A	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	1	1	13

City of Minneola

	CANDIDATE	SCORE	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	SUM
Seat 5	Paul Giacalone	C	0.5	1	1	0.5	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	0.5	0	1	10.5
Seat 5	Joseph Saunders	F	QUESTIONNAIRE NOT RETURNED														0

City of Mount Dora

	CANDIDATE	SCORE	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	SUM
Mayor	Nick Girone	C	0	0.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	0.5	1	1	0.5	1	11

City of Tavares

	CANDIDATE	SCORE	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6	Q7	Q8	Q9	Q10	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	SUM
Seat 2	David Boylston	A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14
Seat 2	Lou Buigas	F	QUESTIONNAIRE NOT RETURNED														0
Seat 2	James Sweezea	D	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0.5	0	0.5	1	1	0	0.5	9.5
Seat 2	Robert Wolfe	A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14
Seat 4	Walter Price	A	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14
Seat 4	Troy Singer	F	QUESTIONNAIRE NOT RETURNED														0