

## Some Ground Rules for Tonight.....

- Tonight is all about - the candidate's RESPONSES to the LAG Issues and questions:

### Candidate Sessions

- 15 minutes/candidate

### Audience

- Please Take Good Notes on candidate Responses
- Please note the candidate positions on key issues

- There will not be open Q/A during the candidate sessions..

Candidates - Do not speak to the audience or engage off podium

Audience - Do not speak to or otherwise engage the candidates

*We will ask you to leave the meeting if this occurs*

## LAG Candidate Forum - Speaking Order

### Place #2

6:15-6:30 Phil Contatore  
6:30-6:45 Michelle Stephenson

### Place #4

6:45-7:00 Ron Abruzzese  
7:00-7:15 Christine Sederquist

### Place #6

7:15-7:30 Marci Cannon  
7:30-7:45 Marshall Hines  
7:45-8:00 Derek Levisay

### Place#7 Mayor

8:00-8:15 Adam Benefield  
8:15-8:30 Troy Hill  
8:30-8:45 Vic Villarreal

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8:45-9:00 Adjourn - Talk to  
Candidates 1:1

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9:15 - Vacate VFW Hall....

*Thank You for Attending!*

*Please VOTE in the Election!*

*-LAG BOD*

## City & ISD Sub-Committees

### LAG Issues we see are in these areas.....

1. Economic Development
2. Infrastructure & Water
3. Lack of Transparency
4. ISD/Debt

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## ISSUE 1 – Economic Development

### Questions for candidates:

What is your position on giving up Leander's economic development money to Capital Metro?

What steps will you take to address Leander economic development?

- What is your position on New Urbanism (tiny homes, high density housing, etc.) development rules, and should they be written into Leander's development code?

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## ISSUE 2 – Infrastructure

### Questions for candidates:

- How would you propose to address the water cost issue for Leander – moving forward?
- How does Destination Leander's development plan – address improving the tax base to support our population growth?
- What, if anything, would you do to change Destination Leander?
- Do you feel the Destination Leander plan is working today?

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## ISSUE 3 – Lack of Transparency

### Questions for candidates:

Do you believe there is a lack of transparency in Leander permitting procedures?

- If so, what would you propose to do to improve it?

Is there a “design book” that city management requires developers to build to in return for receiving their permits?

- What action would you propose to take to make this book transparent to Leander citizens?

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## ISSUE 4 – ISD/Debt

ISD Sub-Committee – Mike Sherman

### Questions for candidates:

- What do you propose to do - to manage the debt in the LISD school system?
- Explain how the property taxes correlate to the LISD debt?
- What would you propose to do to reduce or control the LISD portion of the property taxes?

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### > Final Questions for the Candidates:

Why is Leander growing in population faster than it is in sales tax generators?

- How would you propose to generate incentive money to attract sales tax generators (new businesses and developers)?
- What is your position on the effectiveness of the city's rigid New Urbanism development codes that promotes high density housing?

Why does Leander have no incentive money to attract tax generators like other Texas cities do?

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