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Position: Local  
Name of Office: Richland City Council Pos. 4  
Congressional District:  
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Status: New Candidate  
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**Do You: Believe in the need for Campaign Finance Reform/not support Super PACs/Citizen's United?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: I think there should be limits on the the amount of time a campaign lasts. Three-six months tops! I also think there should be limits on spending and the equal time rule for media buys must be reinstated.

**Do You: Believe in Medicare/Medicaid/single-payer for all?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: I think it can work better than what we have. Insurers could still offer Cadillac plans or additional protections for a fee, if people were worried about certain types of care. But some things should be covered no matter income, employment status, legal status, etc. right now those of us who are insured are paying for those who aren't through increased costs. That's not fair.

**Do You: Believe in LGBTQ marriage equality/equal rights?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate: Love is love

**Do You: Believe in tax-paid public accredited college access for all who are accepted and free tuition at all public colleges?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: But not jus college, grade school. We need to ensure the trades are available and encouraged too. Not everyone wants to go or is suited for college.

**Do You: Support college loan repayment relief and college loan monthly payments no more than 10% of net income?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: the cost of college loans prevents people from fully participating in the economy and spending money on goods and services which contribute back to local companies instead of large banks.

**Do You: Believe in closing corporate tax loopholes?:** Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Too many large companies don't pay enough. Also, companies shouldn't be able to count vacant properties as a depreciable asset.

**Do You: Believe in a [\\$15](#) Minimum Wage (graduated in, over 4 years, at a maximum)?:**

Yes

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: The data on how many people on minimum wage rely in

federal aid to make ends meet is pretty clear. No one who works full time should need welfare or food assistance.

**Do You: Prioritize repairing infrastructure?: Yes**

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Not just repairing but upgrading and replacing. We need high speed rail on the east and west coasts for sure, but also, better public transit in rural communities. Infrastructure should include multi-modal transportation.

**Do You: Believe in Police/Prison Reform (end private prisons, drug treatment vs. prison, possible Body Cams, demilitarize/retrain police, etc.)?: Yes**

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Oh lord yes! WA has amazing programs for our prisoners. It's doubtful the private contractors would make the effort to ensure they can learn and grow while incarcerated.

**Do You: Believe in finding a way to reduce the power of the military industrial complex and constant state of conflict/war?: Yes**

Why or Why Not? Please be specific.: I actually think we should have two years of mandatory service for every young adult and shrink our standing military. Pacifists or squeamish people can do community service instead. If more families had kids serving, there would likely be less support for our meddling all over the world.

**Do You: Support common sense gun control/improved background checks (ban on assault weapons, like Bernie)?: Yes**

Why or Why Not? Please be specific.: Sandy hook. Columbine,

**Do You: Support a woman's right to choose and will try to prevent local legislation that inhibits access to care at Planned Parenthood or any other clinic providing women's care in this area?: Yes**

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Cuz when I was a teen i had to drive a long way for an abortion and that sucks on top of all the other stress of an unwanted pregnancy. But more importantly- if I'd had confidential access to birth control, I wouldn't have gotten pregnant!

**Do You: Believe in climate change and working towards renewable energy sources?: Yes**

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Yes. Our children's future is in grave danger from climate disruption (and probably our future at the rate things are going). It is irresponsible to turn a blind eye and ignore the facts.

**Do You: Believe in separation of church and state?: Yes**

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Because our nation was founded on religious freedom. And congress shall make no law...

**Do You: Believe in a path to citizenship?: Yes**

Why or Why Not? Please Elaborate.: Because there are too many young adults who got stuck here with their parents. And those parents who arrived without proper permission, should also be brought in if they wish.

**Did you support Bernie in the 2016 Primary?:** Yes

**Do you support and believe in whistleblowers like Eric Snowden and Julian Assange?:** Yes  
If Not, Why?: More so at lower levels of govt.

**Do you respect 3rd parties as an alternative to get corporate ownership out of politics? Or should you "vote blue no matter who?":** Possibly. I want to believe it would work. But I don't think enough people vote. So I think we need to have conversations about that.

**Other Comments.:** I am concerned about people of color and really cracking down and removing redlining. I want to not screw Natives over more than we already have. We need to save the