

Bobbi McCoy – Housing

1. What role should the City have in ensuring there is adequate affordable housing for all citizens? Ensure we have the means to provide safe and affordable housing to all our citizens including the homeless. Address the issues and to what is needed within our City. Meet with current housing facilities and join together as one. Our City currently has a 5 year plan to end homelessness. Numbers for the homeless are half of what there were when the first count was completed in 2012
2. What would you do to address discrimination against housing developments for vulnerable populations that have met the zoning requirements? The city is required to ensure that no one is being discriminated against. And treat each issue differently, Public awareness
3. What is your position on the use of emergency shelters in our community? I am in favour of these not just for homeless but people in circumstance may need such as physical abuse etc. These shelters are temporary and meant to be that way until safe housing is found. The city can identify these issues and able to come up with the best situation for the individuals involved.
4. The current 5-year plan to end homelessness is due to be reviewed and revised in 2018. What role should the municipal council take in the next iteration of this plan? The plan is working and helping identify homeless. I have been proud of our community since arriving in 2003. After a visit to my home I was shocked and saddened at the amount of homeless. I am talking thousands. Red Deer has done a great job at counts. I personally go out in the critical months when the temperatures are extremely dangerous i drive around and give out blankets, socks scarves, plastic bags and essentials. Tim Horton's and McDonald gift cards. If i suspect someone is a veteran I direct them to the legion and our great Manager who does the same as me assists. i have a small flyer with resources. "Just doing what is right"