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- 1) my experience. Former commissioner in west new york town. Experience in local government, worked closely with other legislators, county executives, and other elected officials, difficult to manage the money and manage properly the resources for the community working together is the key. Had to make difficult decisions to keep budget fiscally sound. I served as vice mayor and even as mayor for a few months for unfortunate circumstance. My experience goes way above and beyond some of the candidates that are out there. I work with the people. If I set a task to accomplish xyz, I accomplish that. I set realistic goals. I saw the opportunity and the desire to meet them.
- 2) Support biz community? In my other experience I also worked with different banks - chase and Washington mutual. Merchant services. Managed group of individuals to help clients process credit cards and help new businesses. I eventually became business consultant to help them out. So many businesses need assistance. Public and employers have to interlock. Support local merchants keep those monies here, hire more local employees. Microloans for start ups. That is my pas and I understand business needs.
- 3) Healthcare? The way it has been handled... a lot of confusion with all these different plans. The way that affordability is not fair for some individuals. Put together a package for more families that is affordable. Very confusing. Make it easier when someone goes on to marketplace they understand what they are paying for.
- 4) education? when I look at budget overall, and I see hirer pay salaries for administrators more than teachers.. I'm all for supporting teachers. They need to be well compensated. Lots of things taken away from education... gym classes taken away. We need to revise. Physical education. Where is money going? To testing? Taking away basics to cover something else ... it is a balancing act.
 - 1) Unfunded mandates? Some numbers come based on grades and testing... so the better we do as a school, because of grades, that how funding is coming. I don't think that is overall fair. Can not put a dollar sign on pressuring kids to take tests.
 - 2) Impact business? Look at high school graduation ratios... cant have less educated individuals trying to make a living. Support them so their income level potential can rise. Report ALICE (?). see increase in # of people with per household income below \$24k a year... how did they get there? Can we help retrain them to change those numbers.
- 5) Transportation: roads disrepair and new construction. See people outside bus stops with no shelter. How do we help people get from one place to another. Legislators say that's not our responsibility... the companies who provide. No it's both. When we see master plan and how growth is coming our way, the amount of cars on the road and see if we are ready for that. Are we ready for all the piping on the streets. How prepared are we for future when we have infrastructure that is decaying.
- 6) Property rights - we all have to chip in. I don't think we have to divide property owners from non owners, all work together. This is where we live. Ownership does give you certain rights, but must protect the environment. Look at the storms bigger and bigger, rising ocean. It's all real and we must take care of one planet we have now, what will happen.
 - 1) Save our lagoon tax - I strongly believe we need to secure resources to protect our natural resources. Go to federal and seek dollars, find private funding to get grants. If I can't get it one way, get it another. We must keep these natural resources well kept.
- 7) Home rule? My take on home rule, is logical, the proper procedure are put in place, home rule islets thing for local municipalities. If not in place, some people unhappy and want to change it. But local municipalities must take care of their own zoning. We have to connect and communicate to better understand how state can help us, but not take 100% control.
- 8) TDT - I am not clear, was there another tax and would want to research more. Discussion on the issue to help educate her.

- 9) Judge success? Based my achievements. In a campaign one can say going to focus on whatever... when elected, if I am going to work on specific bill and that gets accomplished. For me, education funding. That is the biggest thing.
- 10) Leadership? Extremely important. If I don't listen to the people who have done this prior to me arriving, I need to be guided and understand what the field is, and compare what is going on up there and what I want to accomplish.
- 11) Oppo research - as elected official, where I come from Hudson county, has a book in polo sci Hudson county 101... interesting place, interesting things. Recall elections... retaliation from opposite parties. Employee came to public event and rude to senior citizens and they asked me to help, it became a nasty incident and that was out there. Went on news saying I asked other employees to attack him, etc. abuse of power. Eventually I had to press charges. I do not allow bullies in my life... an elected official that doesn't put people first can not stand. So there is records on that.
- 12) Primary area of interest? Public safety committee. Very touched by parkland incident. I'm all for responsible gun ownership. I think we need to revise it. I am not in favor of teachers in schools armed. More studies to find why is this happening? How do we help? Before they find the gun.
- 13) Local vs state. Gotta be balancing act. With fiscal budget, only so much that can go to specific line item, how to we get more if there is a need. Certain services are funded, and when funding is no longer there, need to show a need to justify more funding.... I am not going stop asking until I get what my people need.
- 14) Been in Florida 3 years. Used to live in st cloud, the Kissimmee. Now in palm bay. Been in palm bay 6 months. Family here, this is where he is
- 15) Expansion of medicaid. At the end of the day, everybody wants Medicaid because they feel free healthcare is the way to go. I look at single parents and struggle they have to raise kids, it should be there for people who need it. Not for those who abuse it. They need to check the abuses. The expansion, at what cost to the state? Do they have to cover the expansion? Where is the money going to come from and who is going to pay for it? Look at impact on the state budget. Oversaw employee healthcare in my town, when we had to renegotiate... it always has to come from somewhere. When we changed amount employees contribute their plan, they were not happy. But it cost us so much as town, but the abuse we found was so many people in household covered. At end of day copayment from employee had to be raised to cover the cost. Would you vote to increase taxes? I'm not in favor because people suffer enough as it is. Lets revises where money used at current moment. Lets just shift money around. Look for other things not working to shift money. I don't like raising taxes, its not fair. Abusing your budget comes at a price and the people pay for that. We had spending freeze.