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POSITION APPLIED FOR: Councillor, Ward 8

WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR CITY COUNCIL?

I am running for City Council because I want to use my experience, skills, and commitment to serve our community and ensure residents have a strong and accessible **voice at City Hall**.

Over the past 12+ years, I have gained experience in finance, budgeting, accountability, and decision-making across a variety of sectors, including **Indigenous communities, provincial government, oil and gas, healthcare, and the school division**. My experiences have also strengthened my understanding of responsible planning, managing resources carefully, and making decisions that consider both immediate needs and long-term impacts.

These experiences have taught me the importance of listening before making decisions, asking the right questions, understanding the financial implications of choices, and being accountable for results. I want to bring those principles to City Council, especially when decisions involve taxpayers' money, essential services, infrastructure, and the future priorities of our city.

I am running because I believe residents deserve a Councilor who is present, approachable, and willing to listen—not only during an election, but throughout the entire term. I want residents to know that their concerns will be heard, their questions will be taken seriously, and their representative will follow through.

My commitment is reflected in the values I bring to this campaign:

Dedicated to serving our community.

Honest leadership.

Accountable action.

Responsible with taxpayers' money.

Accessible to every resident.

For me, serving on Council means working collaboratively, respecting different perspectives, and making thoughtful and responsible decisions for our community.

Dhara Patel — Your Voice at City Hall.