



Candidate Questionnaire: Boston Municipal Election 2025

Candidate Name:

Candidate Cell:

Office Sought:

Contact Person Information (name, title, email, phone):

[Your Campaign Manager's Name]

[Title/Role]

[Email]

[Phone]

Tell us a bit about yourself in 250 words or less:

[Provide a brief introduction about yourself, your background, and why you are running for office. Highlight any relevant experience or achievements related to the platform.]

1. Right to Remain in a Stable Housing and Equitable Development:

a. What are your proposed solutions to ensure affordable, stable, and healthy housing in Boston? (150 words)

a2. What are your proposed solutions to advocate for more funding for 0-30% AMI housing? (150 words)

b. Do you support the Tenant Option to Purchase and other measures to empower tenants' rights? Explain your stance. (100 words)

c. Will you support the right to counsel to provide legal representation for tenants in eviction proceedings and in need? (100 words)

D. What specific measures will you take to increase funding for affordable housing through a luxury transfer fee and other means? (100 words)

E. Will you commit to supporting the City of Boston's new Inclusionary Development Policy, which lowers the threshold for the number of units subject to the policy from 10 to 7, increases the proportion of income-restricted units from 13% to 20%, and deepens affordability requirements? Will you work with community members to explore opportunities to further deepen affordability? (100 words)

f. Do you support rent control and would you advocate for the Homes for All Massachusetts' rent control bill that would limit rent increases to the rate of inflation with a cap at 5%, and ban no fault evictions? (100 words)

d. What are your thoughts on Mayor Wu's efforts to transform the BPDA, and how will you work with us to ensure true transformation in city planning, and the abolition of the Boston Planning and Development Agency/Economic Development Industrial Corporation? (100 words)

G. How would you support expanding land trusts in Boston and increasing the acquisition opportunity program? (100 words)

2. Right to Economic Justice and Good Jobs:

a. How do you plan to address long-term unemployment, substandard work environments, and economic inequities in Boston? (300 words)

b. Will you support policies that enforce fair scheduling for workers and ensure access to good jobs with living wages? Explain your position. (100 words)

c. What is your approach to supporting community small businesses and alternative economic enterprises in Boston? (100 words)

d. How would you advocate to fund the enforcement of access to good and stable union jobs for BIPOC communities, who are historically excluded? (100 words)

e. Do you support an increase in the minimum wage? (100 words)

f. Will you work with advocates to ensure a pathway for civilian details to avoid overtime police spending and employ locals? (100 words)

g. Will you work with advocates to push for a Universal Basic Income program for low income Bostonians? (100 words)

3. Right to Democratic Participation:

a. How will you ensure that residents' voices are included in decisions shaping Boston's budget, land development, jobs, schools, and services? (300 words)

b. Do you support the implementation of multilingual and disabled access to all City Departments, as well as fully bilingual ballots and absentee ballots? Explain your stance. (100 words)

c. How will you work towards fully funded participatory budgeting to engage the community in decision-making processes? (100 words)

c2. Will you advocate for 1% of the city budget being used for participatory budgeting, as advocates in the Better Budget Alliance have pushed for? (100 words)

d. What are your thoughts on the recent redistricting process, and how would you fight to ensure justice for BIPOC communities in the redistricting process? (150 words)

e. Do you support the right to municipal voting for all Boston residents, regardless of immigration status? Yes or No

f. What are your thoughts on Ranked Choice voting? (100 words)

4. Right to the Public Good:

a. What are your plans to ensure equal access to public resources and services, quality education, public libraries, healthcare, and safety net programs for all residents of Boston? (300 words)

a1. How would you ensure community input and equity in relation to announced BPS school closures and renovations? (100 words)

a2. Do you support an elected school committee in Boston? (100 words)

b. How will you advocate for increased PILOT funding to address the diverse needs of communities? (100 words)

c. What steps are you taking to support and address the migrant families looking to secure shelter in Boston? (100 words)

d. Do you support the City of Boston policy as a sanctuary city for undocumented immigrants and members of the LGBTQAI+ community?

e. Will you advocate on the city and state level to support HB.542 & SB.341 that strengthens FFN child care by increasing provider pay to at least the state minimum wage and allowing parents to use the full ten daily hours of subsidized care across both formal and FFN providers? How will you uplift FFN child care in local policy conversations to ensure no family is left behind? (100 words)

f. Will you support the efforts of the community to increase treatment beds and rehab centers such as the Shattuck Hospital redesign? (100 words)

g. Would you support efforts to explore municipal broadband to increase access and drive down costs for residents?

5. Right to a Healthy Environment:

a. How do you plan to advocate for equitable and affordable public transit and community choice energy policies to increase renewable energy use in Boston? (300 words)

b. How will you advocate to lower National Grid/Eversource rates as residents have faced massive increases in delivery charges this past winter?

c. Would you support expanding the fare-free MBTA pilot and making it permanent?

d. How will you ensure community voice is at the forefront of decision making around streets redesign, whether it be bus lanes or bike lanes? (100 words)

e. What steps will you take to prioritize environmental justice communities and reduce building emissions for a healthier environment? (100 words)

f. What are your thoughts on Boston's Green New Deal and ensuring jobs for BIPOC communities? (100 words)

g. Do you support racial justice, and what steps will you take to prevent the rise of white nationalist street violence from harming BIPOC communities in Boston? (100 words)

h. Do you support abolishing the BPD gang database which advocates say is racially unjust and used to unfairly target Black and Brown communities? (100 words)

i. Will you support efforts at the city and state level to strengthen criminal record reform—such as shortening waiting periods for sealing, automatically sealing non-convictions, expanding juvenile protections, and ensuring individuals can access and understand their own records? How will you use your platform to advance these reforms and uphold the presumption of innocence? (100 words)

j. How will you push back against the Trump Administration when it comes to funding cuts, immigration, and rollbacks of civil rights protections? (100 words)

6. Campaign Specifics:

a. How do you plan to engage with community stakeholders and ensure their representation as you hold office? (100 words)

b. How much have you raised for your campaign so far, how much do you plan to raise, and what is your fundraising strategy? (100 words)

b2. Are you accepting contributions from special interest groups, such as real estate PACs or corporate donors? If so, how do you ensure that your decisions remain accountable to the community rather than those interests? (100 words)

c. How do you plan to win the election and achieve your campaign goals? Provide highlights of your field plan and vision. (100 words)

d. If elected, how will you collaborate with Right to the City Vote Action to better serve Boston's diverse population? (100 words)

Please respond to each question concisely and honestly, keeping in mind the platform's key principles. We appreciate your time and commitment to public service. Please email a document with your completed responses to rtcvaction@gmail.com

Thank you for participating in this questionnaire, and we wish you the best of luck in your campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Armani White', with a stylized, cursive script.

Armani White

Chair, Right to the City Vote!

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