

## AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Coquitlam needs to continue working with developers, other partners and the community at large to plan, build significant affordable housing, and develop innovative solutions to traffic, parking and park plans.

I support smart responsible growth. We can build affordable and sustainable housing while maintaining Coquitlam's unique character. I will promote gentle density: townhouses and low-rises instead of monster houses.

### MY VISION

- Increase family and seniors' housing.
- Increase supply to bring housing price down
- Expedite the permit process to increase competition

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

As a business owner myself, I believe that we need to create an environment that nurtures the growth of new businesses, attracts investors while fostering retention and expansion of existing businesses.



### MY VISION

- Stimulate the local economy thereby creating more jobs.
- Look at innovative ways to increase office space.
- Leverage the Vancouver congestion by attracting an anchor business into Coquitlam such as a tech hub
- Attract hotels and convention centre.

**"I will encourage the best possible business climate for economic development and the creation of good jobs."**

## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

I truly believe that the fresh look of Coquitlam requires social capital from the residence. Global migration has turned Coquitlam into a blended community. Community engagement is therefore pivotal for the city to succeed. We need to engage the youth, seniors and the diverse communities.

### MY VISION

- I will champion efforts that will turn the blended community into a melting pot.
- I will serve as a conduit between the diverse community and the city.
- I will support strategies that address the "Perpetual Foreigner syndrome."

**"Strong neighborhoods are vital to our continued growth and quality of life."**



We live in a great city. Coquitlam is rich in diversity and it is bursting with potential. We are doing well but there is room for improvement in many areas. Some of the pressing issues that we need to address are:

### Environmental

- Keep the Riverview lands intact
- Protect our green spaces and waterways.
- Add another one-stop recycling center that accepts all material including liquid hazardous material.

### Health & Core services

- Work with the RCMP and health professionals to deal with the mental illness crisis.
- Keep our roads and community safe
- As our community grows, so does the need for childcare. We need an aggressive childcare strategy.
- We need to re-visit our arts and culture strategy