

Candidate: Anne Skipsey

Riding: Qualicum Beach

- 1. Many communities don't know how much climate change is costing them at present, and will cost in the future. Will you commit to putting systems in place to identify and track those costs?**

Being a small community (less than 10,000) I cannot commit to identifying and tracking these costs unless I know what resources this will require. However, I will be advocating for us to value all of our natural assets as part of our asset management program.

- 2. Will you work to develop and implement climate adaptation plans to reduce the harm that climate change causes in your community? How will you fund climate adaptation?**

Our town is already looking at sea level rise and have a Waterfront Master Plan that should help us when making decisions about our waterfront in future. There is no doubt there will be large costs involved and so we will need to have a long term budget. We also have a Sustainability Plan that I would like to see integrated into all future land-use decisions.

- 3. Will you commit to protecting taxpayers by seeking to recover a fair share of climate costs from the fossil fuel companies who profit from selling products that result in greenhouse gases? Specifically, if elected, would you ask your Council to:**

- a. Send Climate Accountability letters from your community to major fossil fuel producers demanding that they pay their fair share of local climate costs caused by their activities and products?**

I did vote in favour of this resolution at the recent Union of British Columbia Municipalities conference.

- b. Press the province of BC to enact Liability for Climate-related Harms laws to give municipalities and others greater legal certainty, lower costs and timely resolutions if they sue to recover climate damages from fossil fuel companies?**

No answer.

- c. Explore legal action against fossil fuel companies to recover a share of local climate costs?**

No answer.

- 4. In your view, why is it important (or not) to hold fossil fuel companies accountable for your community's climate costs?**

No answer.