Candidate: Megan Curren

Riding: District of North Vancouver

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?

Yes. Environmental protection is my passion and my priority. We need hard data.

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?

Yes. The District is working on CEEP (Community Energy and Emissions Plan) - the goal is to reduce our carbon emissions. This is one important part of a Climate plan, but we need to expand this initiative. I believe our property taxes are used to fund this currently. The Province and Federal government must partner with Municipalities as well.

- 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?

Yes. Fossil fuel companies need push back from individuals, local government, organizations and Provincial and Federal levels of government. They have been knowingly profiting from environmental destruction for decades and must be held accountable legally, financially and socially.

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?

Yes.

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

Yes.

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

Fossil fuel companies hold too much power and influence at all levels of society. Because of their influence on policy, alternatives to fossil fuels have not been prioritized. Big oil needs to be challenged as never before and held accountable for the damage

they have caused, continue to cause, and will continue to cause until we transition to

renewable energy.