

## Candidate: Christine Boyle and Brandon Yan

Riding: Vancouver

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- 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. Vancouver has a number of estimates for various types of costs (ie \$1 Billion on adapting to sea level rise between now and 2100), but tracking and estimating these costs more closely is important.

- 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. Climate mitigation and adaptation plans are crucially important - and more and more so every year. OneCity's plan is to have Vancouver join the campaign to ensure that Big Oil pays their fair share on these climate adaptation plans:  
<http://www.onecityvancouver.ca/climatechangeadaptation>.

- 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. OneCity announced early in our campaign that we are committed to seeing Vancouver join this campaign. Our Council candidates have been learning and listening to what has been working so far in terms of corporate climate accountability, and are ready to push hard to have Vancouver play a leading role.

- 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?**

We think fossil fuel accountability is one important way that we shift the conversation about responsibility away from individual consumer choices, and toward systemic social change. And that we build strong social movement pressure to see fossil fuel companies shift their own actions toward cleaner alternatives. Plus these adaptation costs are real, and local governments are already strained with tight budgets, so fossil fuel companies paying their fair share means cities can focus their limited funds on other important local issues like affordable housing and robust and accessible public services.