

Bike Colorado Springs Candidate Survey

Your Name *

Nancy Henjum

What Office are you running for *

City Council District 5

On average, how often do you ride a bike? *

As OFTEN as possible - at least 300 days per year

On average, how often do you walk for recreation or transportation? *

Every day

On average, how often do you take public transportation? *

In Colorado Springs, rarely due to where I live and where I need to go. When traveling in other cities, almost exclusively if available.

How is bicycling, walking, or public transportation important to you? *

All are extremely important to me. VITAL to health of people, planet, economy.

Roadway Safety

What actions would you take to support improving infrastructure designed to protect or otherwise make vulnerable road users (bike riders & pedestrians) safer? *

Elevate and prioritize the work of Colorado Springs Bike Master Plan - ensure that this work is coordinated with Connect COS and other plans and work efforts that are already addressing safety issues for vulnerable road users.

How would you support a citywide program or strategy (such as Vision Zero) to improve roadway safety with the goal of eliminating traffic fatalities and severe injuries? *

With gusto! Given that something like Vision Zero is a belief system (culture shift), I would be extremely thoughtful and strategic about how to approach such a significant shift in a City that leans more toward the value of individual freedom than collective responsibility.

Transportation

Will you support increased funding for infrastructure for walking, biking, and transit? *

YES. We need to have a bigger conversation about how we will fund a world class transit system and necessary infrastructure.

How will you support policies that increase opportunities for Colorado Springs residents to bike, walk, take transit? *

Listening, convening conversations, using experts who have the data, the stories, to elevate this issue. We are Olympic City USA - how can we use that brand to continue to support multi-modal transportation? I will be supportive always - because of my own practices & beliefs.

City Plans

What are your highest priorities related to the BikeCOS! master plan? *

.Without knowing in detail what has already been accomplished in a plan written in 2017 and what still needs to be done, nor knowing how well this plan is integrated with ConnectCOS - I would want prioritize coordination of the two plans and continue to achieve the goals set out.

How will you support ConnectCOS and the adoption of the Intermodal Mobility Plan? *

Advocate's voice for multimodal transportation. Would advocate for participation and engagement from every possible stakeholder as well as collaboration to minimize "siloes" planning and thinking - serving a larger vision. Everyone part of the planning to plan for everyone.

How do you intend to support and implement the Strong Connections vision in PlanCOS? *

Again - I don't want to reinvent any wheels. A tremendous amount of planning and work has been done. I see Council's role as prioritizing, elevating, educating, advocating and making sure that collaboration is happening across functions. the COS plans need to be integrated!

PlanCOS Speaks to land use in the Unique Places chapter; what role do you see land use playing in creating inviting places throughout our city? *

Land use should be the fundamental question we start with when we think about creating inviting places. What is the history? What makes this "place" unique? What is the story we want to tell? How does it advance our collective thriving? What is our relationship to the land?

Other Comments

Is there anything else you would like Bike Colorado Springs to know about your positions or candidacy?

I have been riding my bike in Colorado Springs - as a kid for 4 years on the Air Force Academy and for the past 30 years of my life. There are very few things that make me happier than riding my bike in the Pikes Peak region. I am the best candidate for District 5!