

Dear Candidate for Spokane County Commissioner,

The INLAND EMPIRE RAIL TRANSIT ASSOCIATION, is a registered non-profit, non-partisan organization advocating for rail transit as an affordable alternative transportation option for the Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho region. You may learn more about us by visiting our website at [InlandRail.org](http://InlandRail.org).

Please consider responding to the four questions below for our consideration regarding candidate endorsement:

1) What is your reaction to the following statement?

"Our current transportation system is too heavily dependent upon automobiles and petroleum energy sources. We must build alternative modes that can tap cleaner, renewable fuels to ensure the viability of our community's future mobility."

2) Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Please explain.

"Electric rail transit enhances the travel options within our community by helping to integrate pedestrian, bicycle, bus, auto, and rail transportation modes."

3) How well does your vision for the region align with the following statement?

"Rail transit is proactive in regards to population growth by encouraging denser, mixed-use development that is located closer to the urban core where public infrastructure and critical community services are already in place. It does so in a manner that builds community character and adds to our overall quality of life."

4) Should an electric light rail and/or street car system be pursued for the Spokane region at this time? Please explain.

Thank you for your responses and your willingness to serve our community.

Respectfully,

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