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Election 2025 candidate questionnaire for Charlotte mayor

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Thank you for completing our candidate questionnaire. Your answers will be published in our voter guide and may be lightly edited for spelling and grammar. Our goal is to help voters understand candidates' views on important policy issues.

The deadline for responses is July 30. Contact nsullivan@charlotteobserver.com if you have questions.

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seetigressrun@gmail.com

Name *

Dr. Tigress Sydney Acute McDaniel, JD

Contact info (Will only be used by reporters for follow-up questions. Not published.)

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Political party *

Democrat

Birthdate *

12/05/1976

Campaign website or social media page *

www.theseetigressrun.com

Occupation *

Scientist, Economist, Business Owner and Lawyer pursuing license to practice law (CA first)

Education *

Doctoral Scientist and Economist, MS in Ag Econ and Rural Development, BS in Ag Ed and EnviroScience and Juris Doctorate

Have you run for and/or held elected office before? (Please list previous offices sought and/or held) *

I've run, but not yet held elected office.

Please list your highlights of civic involvement *

I've served as Ombudsman, Finance Committee Chair and Parliamentarian for various social relief and civil rights advocacy organizations and performing arts based non-profits.

What are the most important issues facing Charlotte, and how would you address them as mayor?

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Environmental Sustainability and Climate Crisis, Budget and Infrastructure, Personnel Management and Collaboration, Housing and Economic Stability, Cultural Division, Disunity and Inequity

What strengths do you bring to the position that set you apart from your opponents?

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Unrivaled and unique interdisciplinary academia and expertise, excellent conflict resolution skills, and ethical rigor

The city of Charlotte provided CMPD Chief Johnny Jennings with more than \$305,000 in a deal reached during a private meeting – details of which were not available until news outlets started reporting on the issue. Did the city handle this correctly based on what the public knows about the situation? Why or why not?

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We need more disclosure before any such determination can be made affirmatively, but generally no - specifically as to the pattern poor relations between city government and high level officials. From the lens of a Juris Doctorate and thus a lawyer (pursuing license to practice), settlements work that way - and are NOT an indication of admission of liability and instead a private contract allowed by law for parties to resolve their dispute(s). The issue here, of course, is that there's a bigger picture at play for which affected city officials and the public at large "deserve/d" to know what happened.

How will you work to improve transparency within city government?

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Foremost, exemplify transparency myself to set or rather raise the standard. Create a safe environment for collaboration, objective truth and interdisciplinary strategic planning

The General Assembly has given Mecklenburg County permission to put a referendum on the ballot to raise the county's sales tax to fund road, rail and bus projects. Will you vote in favor of the referendum? Why or why not?

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I've been very vocal about this. (If permitted please include the link to my post regarding the same; otherwise please exclude this parenthetical clause: <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1CDJFPZzcR/>) I cannot deny that money and even MORE money is necessary for infrastructural development and upfit. However, I vehemently reject the abuse of money; reality is that this tax referendum, & PAVE Act from which it arises, is another show of budgetary incompetence. The bill is already ratified. We STILL have so many projects to complete for our city goals. I'm conflicted. Then, there's the TEI component (Trump, Elon & Insurrectionists); the tax referendum lines the pockets of Carolinas AGC & similarly non-DEI construction companies. If they'd only do what they've said they'd do and "right" the first time, they can very likely still remain rich. But we can't keep voting YES for taxes and borrowing billions, and Charlotte still looks like it's in a forever recession.

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