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Good Afternoon Alexis,

See below for my replies to your questions.

1. City council approved funding for the updated design of the NEWPCC Interim Phosphorus Removal Capital Project on July 21, 2022. The projected completion date for this project is Aug. 31, 2023.

Will you ensure the NEWPCC Interim Phosphorus Removal Capital Project is completed and operational by Aug. 31, 2023? If not, please explain why you aren't making this commitment.

1. Absolutely! The ability to keep our waterways clean is a top priority of mine! I hope to get this approved quickly if elected.

2. City council deferred the estimated \$130 million cost to increase digester capacity in the NEWPCC Biosolids Facilities Project to the 2024-2027 multi-year budget process. Winnipeg's next city council will be asked to approve this funding to ensure the new biosolids facilities can achieve phosphorus compliance.

Will you approve the necessary funding for increased digester capacity in the 2024-2027 city budget? If not, please explain why you aren't making this commitment.

2. Yes! We need to get the phosphorus out, so that generations to come can enjoy Lake Winnipeg!

3. From your perspective, what consequences do continued algal blooms on Lake Winnipeg have for long-term prosperity and quality of life in the city of Winnipeg?

3. I see the loss of something vital that many Winnipeggers and Manitoba's love. Our Lakes. Whether to enjoy cottage country, swimming, fishing, boating, etc. The loss of our lakes will be incredibly determinantal on local economies and people's ability to enjoy recreation for now and future generations. The blooms and E-coli will make the lakes extremely problematic for countless, and the clean-up efforts after the fact, incredibly expensive and difficult. Winnipegger's may lose one of our treasures, and I think it'll cause considerable stress if people are not able to enjoy our lakes.