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# **Richmond-Queensborough** Something this way smells

By LORRAINE GRAVES

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It's hot. You're trying to sleep. The window's may be a need for a municipal bylaw." open. Suddenly, a stench wades in from outside. What can you do but shut the window?

You can make an official complaint.

Luckily, smells are regulated. "Our rule in Metro Vancouver is that no business can discharge air contaminants unless they are covered by a Metro Vancouver permit or a Metro Vancouver bylaw," says Ray Robb, division manager for environmental regulation and enforcement at Metro Vancouver.

But with the coming legalisation of marijuana, comes the fear of the distinctive smell that could waft from newly-legal grow-ops.

In light of the five-year long fight about odours from Harvest Power's composting facility in East Richmond, candidates in Richmond-Queensborough riding

business owners?

consultation with the municipalities, the federal environmental results."

government and the public."

BC Liberals' Jas Johal said: "I think this will all come from consultation from the feds, the

Michael Wolfe is the riding's BC Green Party

Photo by Chung Chow

Harvest Power in East Richmond has run afoul with Richmond residents.

aromas to protect the rights of residents and No. 5 and Williams roads so are the first to get smell can raise your blood pressure or conthe smell. A Green government would support strict blood flow; it can cause you to wake up Aman Singh, running for the BC NDP said: "If research, development and implementation in the middle of the night," according to Robb. we were elected, we would make this decision in of innovative strategies to achieve the desired

From Metro Vancouver's perspective, Ray Robb says the techniques employed by illegal grow-ops to avoid detection, would be required of legal grow-ops.

"We've checked with Washington State, [where marijuana is already legal] and activated charcoal filters online in the air exhaust pipes are the way to go."

The filters to take out the distinctive growprovince and the municipalities. As well there ops' smells are similar to what's in a home air purifier or a Brita filter but larger.

Robb says each grow-op will start off under candidate and a teacher at McNair Secondary. a separate permit but will likely eventually be

> covered by industry-wide regulations, adding, "The politicians are the ones who pass the regulations."

> Metro Vancouver received many complaints from Richmond residents about odours emanating from the facility, which spurred the company to make changes at Metro Vancouver's insistence.

> "They have definitely improved things however more needs to be done," says Robb. "If a smell is capable of causing material physical discomfort, or if a smell is capable of injuring the health of a person, you can lodge a complaint."

> Airborne compounds needn't be poisonous to make you sick. Just the stench alone can make you ill.

"Our experts have told us you

were asked how would they regulate grow-op He says of Harvest Power's odor: "We are at can have other responses, for example a bad

He also says that bad smells can lead to longer adverse health outcomes.



# **Richmond North Centre**

# Hospital tower gets unanimous support from riding candidates

by **DON FENNELL** dfennell@richmondsentinel.ca @DF Sentinel

much-discussed new acute care tower at Richmond Hospital is seen as a priority by

all three candidates in the Richmond North Centre riding where the aging Gilbert Road facility is located.

Liberal candidate Teresa Wat, who is seeking to become the inaugural MLA of the new riding after being the incumbent in the previous Richmond Centre riding, said: "Richmond has a growing and aging population and we need to ensure our residents have access to top-quality health care, close to home."

Continued Wat: "This has been a top priority for me and will continue to be so."

Describing the hospital as being "in poor condition," acute care tower now."

build the new tower and get people in Richmond Richmond Hospital and expected work on the the healthcare they deserve," she said.

Green candidate Ryan Marciniw said a new acute care tower is "definitely a priority," while also suggesting a need to "refurbish" the hospital.

"Richmond's population is growing and with an aging population an acute care tower is needed, but also the approval of the construction is long overdue," he said.

Prior to the legislature being dissolved April 11, the provincial government announced it sup-

Courtesy Richmond Hospital Foundation

NDP candidate Lyren Chiu A close-up model of the proposed acute care tower (at top right). The existing north said "Richmond needs the tower is shown as demolished in this rendering.

business plan could begin in the fall of 2017.

the development of a business plan, once the concept plan (the Health Ministry is currently re-

viewing the concept plan provided by Vancouver Coastal Health) was approved, the province said.

A business plan focuses on cost and services of a new facility and takes about 12 to 18 months to prepare. It is followed by procurement and then construction.

"We were thrilled to hear that the provincial government has committed to allocating \$3 million in funding for the business plan this fall," said Richmond Hospital Foundation president and chief executive officer Natalie Meixner.

"We were also pleasantly surprised to learn that the province has established a vision that includes traditional Chinese medicine at Rich-

> mond Hospital which will reflect the needs of our diverse community, and we look forward to hearing more details of what this will entail. These are exciting developments for our community."

Richmond Hospital opened in 1966 and has 200 acute-care beds serving the needs of residents of Richmond and Delta, as well as travellers using the Vancouver International Airport. The concept plan proposes a new tower that would include private rooms to help improve patient outcomes, patient privacy and reduce exposure to communicable infections; modern hospital equipment and technolo-

"BC NDP have made a firm commitment to ported planning for a new patient-care tower at gies that better monitor patient health and enhance care, which helps hospital staff spend their time where most needed, ensuring the Up to \$3 million would be allocated to support highest levels of patient care; and facility design that improves patient flow to make patient care better and more efficient.



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# **Richmond-Steveston**

# Steveston's struggling: here's what candidates would do

By MARTIN VAN DEN HEMEL martinv@richmondsentinel.ca @MartinvandenH

Ith as many as 10 businesses in Steveston up for sale, and many small shops struggling in recent years during the slower fall and winter months, now may be the right time to create consensus on an overall vision for the village.

With the provincial election around the corner, The Richmond Sentinel asked the three MLA hopefuls about what they would do to address what ails Steveston.

"I would help facilitate collaboration between all levels of government, business associations and historical community organizations," said Green Party candidate Roy Sakata.

If elected, Sakata plans to strongly advocate funding to support the city's goal of achieving UNESCO heritage status and wants to have Steveston designated as a special economic zone with lower property taxation levels for 5 years with an option for an extension.

Liberal incumbent candidate John Yap said he would be happy to



Photo by Chung Chow

Millions of dollars have been spent to upgrade Steveston, including the public sales float. But what else needs to be done to fix what ails the village.

participate and help create a solution for what ails Steveston.

"I would first discuss how serious this issue is with local business people, and then what solutions they have tried already to fix the situation."

NDP candidate Kelly Greene said Steveston has a diverse economy, with an active harbour, heritage sites, filming, and small businesses.

"The affordability crisis and cuts to vital services have hurt us. We'll tackle affordability, including housing, Hydro, ICBC, and MSP. We'll find the right Massey (Tunnel replacement) solution that doesn't harm Steveston's economy, unlike the proposed megabridge."



Teresa Wat Candidate for Re-Election Richmond North Centre

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- Teresa Wat

Candidate for Re-Election, Richmond North Centre

# What a Strong Economy Means for Richmond

- Finalizing plans for a new state-of-the-art care tower at Richmond Hospital
- Providing funding for enhanced facilities at Archibald Blair and William Cook **Elementary Schools**
- Investing over \$16 million annually to subsidize housing and rent supplements for close to 4,000 Richmond households
- Committing over \$16 million in flood mitigation to protect Richmond from rising sea levels

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# **Richmond South Centre**

# Housing affordability a big topic

By **DON FENNELL** @DFSentinel dfennell@richmondsentinel.ca

ome of the most expensive real estate Oprices in North America continue to make housing in Richmond unaffordable for many.

And unless you're fortunate to already own, getting into the market is difficult if not impossible. Affordable rental housing in the city is also in short supply.

With the provincial election less than three weeks away, the Richmond Sentinel asked the candidates in the new Richmond South Centre riding: "How will you help young families and those in need to find affordable housing in vour riding?"

Liberal candidate Linda Reid, who was the longtime incumbent MLA in the previous Richmond East riding, noted her party as government just announced—prior to the legislature being dissolved for the May 9 election—funding for a new affordable housing complex on No. 2 Road and Westminster Highway.

"We just announced, with Pathways Clubhouse, \$12 million for 80-plus units (of affordable housing)," she said, noting completion of the complex is expected to be candidate Greg Powell said he is "deeply 18 months away.

announcement of the availability of \$37,500 to assist first-time home buyers should help further address the issue of affordable housing for young families.

As a parent of young children, Green \$3 million or more.



Photo by Chung Chow

There's plenty of high rise construction in the heart of Richmond. But how much Is affordable?

government, would spend \$750 million annually to create 4,000 new units of affordable housing tax of up to 12 per cent on properties selling for

"Another key feature of the policy is to concerned" about the supply of affordable, enhance the residential tenancy act to control Reid added the government's recent stable housing. He added his party, if it formed excessive rent increases and protect tenants from tenure termination," Powell said.

> NDP candidate and current Richmond city and would introduce a sliding property transfer councillor Chak Au said, "A house is a home not a business. We should stop the speculators and profiteers."



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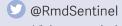
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# **PROVINCIAL ELECTION 2017**

### **Richmond-Steveston:**



**JOHN YAP** Star Trek or Star Wars? Star Trek Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Coffee Political role

model? Winston Churchill—a great leader in challenging times.

Favourite piece of technology? Why? My smartphone—it connects me to everything.

Your alternate career would have been? A doctor—because my Dad

Favourite get-away? Mexico Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? Steveston! Of course! The ambiance and the people.

How often/month do you use transit? On average, twice a month. Who is your hero? Why? Alan James Ball – who was with Arsenal back in the '70s, and he came to the Vancouver Whitecaps in 1979.

Favourite teacher? Why? My Grade 1 teacher in Singapore - Mrs. Chong. She was a great teacher.

Reason you went into politics: To make a difference.

Reason you chose this party: Free enterprise is essential to a strong economy.

What job have you held the longest? A banker for 20 years.

Biggest issue this election? Affordability for housing and for services too.

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? I have them done. In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? In favour because this is the worst traffic bottleneck in the province.

In favour of guaranteed minimum income? We know that the most effective way to reduce poverty is to create jobs and opportunity through a strong economy.

What should the minimum hourly wage be? \$11.35 – which it will be in September



**ROY SAKATA** Star Trek or Star Wars? Star Wars Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Green Tea Political role

model? Pierre Elliot Trudeau Favourite piece of technology? Why? IPhone due its convergence of technology and its portability Your alternate career would have been? Youth empowerment consultant for First Nations and main

Favourite get-away? Pacific Rim National Park

stream community

Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? Garry Point Park. The nearby Scotch Heritage Fishermen's traditional dock and the Japanese garden are part of my cultural heritage from Wakayama, Japan.

How often/month do you use transit? At least four times a month. Who is your hero? Why? My mother. She was pregnant with me in 1942 when she, my father and older brother were sent to a internment camp.

Favourite teacher? Why? Miss Okuma, my primary teacher, who taught me as a Grade 1 student in an internment camp.

Reason you went into politics: To help work with other MLAs to create a British Columbia governance model to genuinely meet the needs of all citizens including non-profit organizations and small businesses. Reason you chose this party: Green Party does not suffer the problem of long term group think.

What job have you held the longest? Public school teacher and school administrator from 1968 to 1998.

Biggest issue this election? The continual mantra of the Liberals who

speak untruthfully about financial prudence and balanced budget by taking without shame revenue from BC Hydro and who are bankrupting and shortchanging drivers by taking cash from ICBC.

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? I used TurboTax software.

In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? support Vancouver regional mayors who have adamantly stated their support for enhanced rapid transit in Vancouver and area south of the Fraser River.

In favour of guaranteed minimum income? Yes

What should the minimum hourly wage be? Minimum wages should match the living cost of the region.



**KELLY GREEN** Star Trek or Star Wars? Star Trek Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Earl Grey Tea Political role

model? Elizabeth Warren

Favourite piece of technology? Why? Telephone. Before telephones it was so easy for families to be separated by geography. I cannot imagine the heartache of never being able to speak to your loved ones again.

Your alternate career would have been? Novelist

Favourite get-away? Harrison Hot **Springs** 

Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? Dyke Road near London Farm. It's calm and peaceful.

How often/month do you use transit? 4-6 times per month Who is your hero? Why? Everyday people who stand up for what is right, even when it is difficult or personally detrimental to do so.

Favourite teacher? Why? John Dyck. His dedication to students and learning transcends the classroom

and inspires students for their lifetimes.

Reason you went into politics: To be a strong fresh voice advocating for my community.

Reason you chose this party: BC NDP's education, healthcare, the environment, and long term planning. What job have you held the longest? Team leader at an independent Steveston business.

Biggest issue this election? Christy Clark's government is hurting families across BC by giving tax cuts and deals to millionaires and cutting services we depend on.

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? I do my own. In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? I favour a reasonable, cost effective and environmentally-friendly alternative to the mega bridge project.

In favour of guaranteed minimum income? I am aware of other districts that are implementing a guaranteed minimum income, and I'm interested to see the outcomes and how it could be applicable to BC.

What should the minimum hourly wage be? \$15 / hour.

#### **Richmond South Centre:**



**GREG POWELL** Star Trek or Star Wars? Star Wars Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Fair trade

organic coffee

Political role model? Martin Luther King Jr.

Favourite piece of technology? Why? Human voice: Versatile and moving Your alternate career would have been? Pro mountain biker Favourite get-away? Backcountry (skiing, hiking, or biking)

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Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? Mouth of the Fraser: historically significant, ecologically foundational, powerful

How often/month do you use transit? I cycle commute year-round, but I've taken transit daily in the past

Who is your hero? Why? Rosa Parks. She was principled, courageous, knew when to take a stand, and persevered.

Favourite teacher? Why? High school math teacher believed in me and propelled me to beyond what I thought I could do.

Reason you went into politics: Desire to see BC Green Party values represented more broadly in the legislature.

Reason you chose this party: The BC Green Party is a values-based party that seeks cooperation among parties and respects dissenting views.

What job have you held the longest?

Environmental non-profit analyst

Biggest issue this election? Housing/sustainable transportation (too closely linked to choose just one).

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? We do them as a family.

In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? Opposed to the present proposal. In favour of guaranteed minimum income? Absolutely.

What should the minimum hourly wage be? Would be irrelevant with a guaranteed income.



**LINDA REID** Star Trek or Star Wars? Neither

Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Coffee

Political role model? Commons Speaker Peter Milliken

Favourite piece of technology? Why? My Samsung cell phone for the camera

Your alternate career would have been? Veterinarian

Favourite get-away? A flax field in Saskatchewan Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? Mist rising off the Garden City Lands

How often/month do you use transit? Weekly Who is your hero? Why? Terry Fox/Rick Hansen for sheer determination

Favourite teacher? Why? Dr. Myrne Nevison for

her world views

Reason you went into politics: To advance issues around education

Reason you chose this party: Liberalism is about individual rights and freedoms

What job have you held the longest? MLA Biggest issue this election? Housing supply and affordable housing

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? Have them done

In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? In favour of the new bridge

In favour of guaranteed minimum income? Our goal is helping people get good, well-paying jobs. Currently B.C.'s average hourly wage is trending upwards, at over \$25/hr and the youth wage is over \$15/hr.

What should the minimum hourly wage be?

BC's minimum wage needs to strike a balance between allowing workers to share in BC's economic growth, while making sure businesses can afford to hire.



**CHAK AU** Star Trek or Star Wars? Star

Coffee, tea or hot chocolate?

Political role model? Nelson Mandela

Favourite piece of

technology? Why? iPad. It is so functional, convenient and easy to use.

Your alternate career would have been? Pilot, so that I can fly to the sky.

Favourite get-away? Kyoto, Japan

Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? The dyke. It's the best place to have a walk in Richmond.

How often/month do you use transit? About 8 times. I'll walk whenever I don't need to drive.

Who is your hero? Why? My father. He is my role model for always putting other people's needs first. Favourite teacher? Why? My Grade 12 history

teacher. He was the most inspiring teacher I ever had.

Reason you went into politics: To promote a harmonious community in our multicultural society and make sure that everyone who works hard will have a fair share.

Reason you chose this party: BC NDP leader John Horgan and his MLAs put the community interests first.



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What job have you held the longest? Current practice as family therapist. Biggest issue this election? Rebuilding the hospital, adequate education funding, improved services for seniors and more daycare space.

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? I go to an accountant.

In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? I'm not ruling out a bridge, but definitely not this bridge, as it is because it will not solve traffic congestion issues. In favour of guaranteed minimum income? Yes.

What should the minimum hourly wage be? \$15 /hour over the next four years

### **Richmond-Queensborough:**



AMAN SINGH Star Trek or Star Wars? Obviously Star Trek, a world where discovery of the new and

diversity is celebrated, and poverty and many other human scourges are eliminated.

Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Tea.
Political role model? Too many to say.
Favourite piece of technology? Why?
My Kitchen Aid. Food is one of my indulgences and I love cooking, but I've discovered I'm not a bad baker either, thanks to the Kitchen Aid.
Your alternate career would have been? Archaeologist

Favourite get-away? Hornby Island

# Favourite spot in Richmond? Why?

The area around Finn Slough and the dyke trail dog park. The park because my amazing dogs love it, and the slough is just such a spectacular spot. How often/month do you use transit? Once every 10 days or so Who is your hero? Why? Too many to name

Favourite teacher? Why? Father Phillips in high school. For his compassion, kindness and understanding.

Reason you went into politics: I could not sit by and do nothing about the direction this province is headed in.

Reason you chose this party: The NDP's priority is people and their policies reflect that.

What job have you held the longest? Lawyer

**Biggest issue this election?** Right now, corruption

Do you do your own income taxes or

have them done? Have them done In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? The BC NDP is committed to fixing the congestion. This is an important decision, and it is clear that there is not enough evidence to support building the bridge.

In favour of guaranteed minimum income? Yes

What should the minimum hourly wage be? \$15



MICHAEL WOLFE Star Trek or Star Wars? Star Wars Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Coffee

**Political role model?** Andrew Weaver, the leader of the BC Greens, and a

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dad, husband, and former climate scientist

Favourite piece of technology? Why? Insulin, to control my blood glucose levels (Type 1)

Your alternate career would have been? Conservation officer Favourite get-away? Rowboat Favourite spot in Richmond? Why?

Richmond Nature Park, for the natural history collection of bog biodiversity.

How often/month do you use transit? Weekly

Who is your hero? Why? David Suzuki, for his tireless effort to be the change in the world that makes it better.

Favourite teacher? Why? Adriane Carr, for her determination as an advocate for wilderness preservation in BC and her recent successes on Vancouver City Council.

Reason you went into politics:

Adriane Carr asked me to when I was a UBC student attending her presentation on campus.

Reason you chose this party:

The Green's six core principles: Participatory democracy, sustainability, social justice, respect for diversity, ecological wisdom, and non-violence.

What job have you held the longest? Public secondary school science teacher

Biggest issue this election? Big money needs to be banned from BC elections: no more corporate or union donations.

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? I do my own. In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? Most strongly opposed. In favour of guaranteed minimum income? Yes, in favour. What should the minimum hourly wage be? \$15/hr



**JAS JOHAL** Star Trek or Star Wars? Star Wars Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Coffee Political role

model? Barack Obama Favourite piece of technology? Why? iPad. It keeps me connected to all my usual sources of news and information.

Your alternate career would have been? Law

Favourite get-away? Hawaii Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? Steveston Village. I enjoy the scenery, the food, and its history.

How often/month do you use transit? About 5 times

Who is your hero? Why? My parents. The sacrifices they made for myself and my siblings can never be repaid. Favourite teacher? Why? Mr.

Williams, my Grade 9 history teacher. He brought a certain energy and passion for teaching history.

Reason you went into politics: I used to get pulled out of Grade 1 class so I could get extra help with my English when I first came to Canada. That would not have happened without a strong social safety net.

Reason you chose this party: The BC Liberal Party provides stability and leadership in guiding a growing economy in challenging economic

What job have you held the longest? Senior journalist, Global News Biggest issue this election? Jobs and region-wide affordability.

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? I use an accountant

In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? In favour of a new bridge.

In favour of guaranteed minimum income? Our government's approach to reducing poverty is to focus on growing the economy, controlling spending, and cutting

What should the minimum hourly wage be? \$11.35 – which will be implemented in Sept. 2017.

#### **Richmond North Centre:**



been? Radio host

civilization and nature.

and work.

**TERESA WAT** Star Trek or Star Wars? Star Wars Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Tea Political role

model? Premier Christy Clark Favourite piece of technology? iPad Why? It helps keep me connected both with work and my family. Your alternate career would have

Favourite get-away? Comox Valley Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? West Dyke Trail. It's an area with remarkable views that reminds us all of the fine balance between

How often/month do you use transit? A few times per month. Who is your hero? Why? Mary Ellen Smith Mary was the first woman to serve in the BC Legislature and was a trailblazer for all of us who follow. Favourite teacher? Why? My high school English teacher in Hong Kong, Ms. Chen. She studied in Canada and told me it was a great place to live

Reason you went into politics: I wanted to give back to British Columbia, a place that had been so good to me and my family since immigrating from Hong Kong in 1989. Reason you chose this party: The BC Liberals positive vision strikes the right balance between economic growth and supporting services for those in the greatest need.

What job have you held the longest? Served as president and CEO of a Lower Mainland multicultural radio

station.

Biggest issue this election? Jobs and the economy, which are critical to support our services like health care and education.

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? Do my own. In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? In favour In favour of guaranteed minimum income? The most effective way to reduce poverty and increase incomes is to create jobs and opportunity through a strong economy. What should the minimum hourly

wage be? B.C.'s minimum wage needs to strike a balance – between allowing workers to share in B.C.'s economic growth, while making sure businesses can afford to hire and grow.



**RYAN MARCINIW** Star Trek or Star Wars? Star Wars Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Coffee

Political role model? Tommy Douglas Favourite piece of technology? Why? My smart phone has transformed the way we communicate and work.

Your alternate career would have been? Comedian.

Favourite get-away? Golf vacation with family and friends.

Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? McDonald Beach Dog Park, I love the marsh and walking with my wife and dog.

How often/month do you use transit? 5-6 days a week. Who is your hero? Why? My mom. She gave me the gift of intellectual curiosity and the love of reading. Favourite teacher? Why? My 9th grade English teacher Mr. Wilson. He instilled confidence in my ability to write and stimulated creativity.



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# Reason you went into politics:

We need to start to transition to clean energy and more sustainable practices across all industries.

Reason you chose this party: The BC Green Party understands intergenerational equity, and is willing to collaborate honestly with Indigenous people and communities, and have an evidenced based platform and policies.

What job have you held the longest? Worked in the casino industry for 12

Biggest issue this election? Education funding,

Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? I do my own. In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? Opposed, expanding the sky train system is cleaner and makes more sense. In favour of guaranteed minimum

income? In favour, automation is going to have a huge impact on the job market.

What should the minimum hourly wage be? \$17 an hour.



LYREN CHUI Star Trek or Star Wars? Star Trek Coffee, tea or hot chocolate? Tea

Political role model? Jenny Kwan Favourite piece of technology? Why? IPhone, for blending technology with lifestyle

Your alternate career would have been? Inspirational speaker Favourite get-away? English Bay Favourite spot in Richmond? Why? City Hall. Because city hall is a source of inspiration of my duty to serve the people in Richmond.

How often/month do you use transit? Every day

Who is your hero? Why? My hero is the people who devote to their cause.

Favourite teacher? Why? My

favourite teacher demonstrates loving, kindness and compassion.

Reason you went into politics: To support health care and education Reason you chose this party: The

party supports fairness, affordability, and accessibility

What job have you held the longest? Assistant Professor at UBC

Biggest issue this election? Housing Do you do your own income taxes or have them done? Do it myself In favour of the new bridge to replace the tunnel, or opposed? Opposed In favour of guaranteed minimum

What should the minimum hourly wage be? The BC NDP is committed to make life more affordable by raising the minimum wage to \$15/ hour over the next four years.

income? Yes

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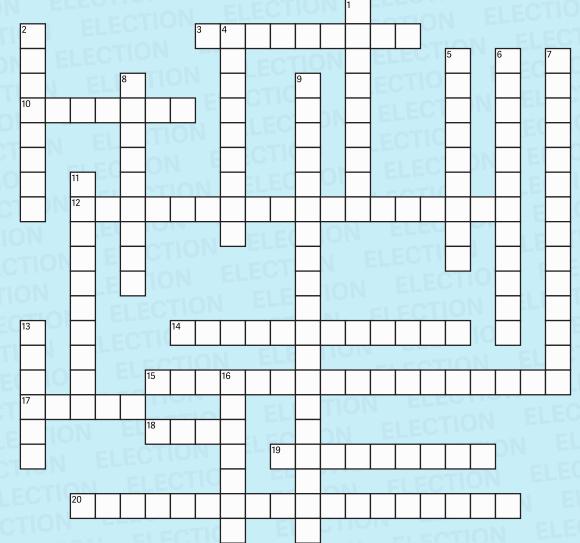
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# Fun & Games

# **ALL ABOUT RICHMOND CROSSWORD**

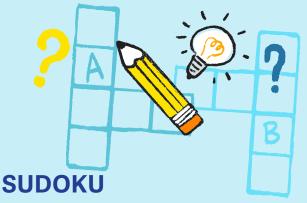


### **ACROSS**

- Former school teacher
- 10 BC Liberal candidate in Richmond Steveston
- 12 South middle of city riding
- BC Green candidate 14
- Riding, southwest tip of Lulu Island
- 17 Greene who's a candidate for NDP
- 18 Acronym for Member of Legislative Assembly
- Former school principal
- Northernmost mid-Richmond riding

#### **DOWN**

- BC Liberal candidate in Richmond North Centre
- Former journalist
- Current office holder
- NDP candidate in Richmond-Queensborough
- BC Green candidate in Richmond North 6 Centre
- 7 Where voters cast their ballots
- 8 NDP Candidate
- Riding nearest New West
- BC Green candidate 11
- City councillor



The goal of Sudoku is to fill a 9x9 grid with numbers so that each row, column and 3x3 section contain all of the digit between 1 and 9.

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Answers will be posted in the next issue in May.

#### **CROSSWORD**

## **ACROSS**

- Capstan
- 6 Rudy
- 10 HudsonsBay
- 11 Watermania
- 12 BostonPizza
- 17 Minoru
- 18 Woodwards
- 19 Godzilla

# 20 MLAs

- **DOWN** TerraNova
- Spulukwuks
- Library
- McRoberts
- Garden
- EvanDunfee
- ShadyIsland

#### **ANSWERS**

## 13 SilverCity

- 14 Yoga
- 15 Dimsum
- 16 Kistoth

#### **SUDOKU**

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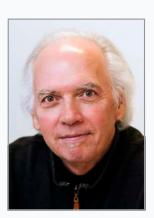
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# **Chak Au**

Richmond South Centre - BCNDP

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# Why I'm running for MLA:

Funding Richmond's Hospital Tower Keeping Richmond's schools open Supporting our Small Businesses Expanding youth job opportunities Increasing child care availability Addressing the housing market Promoting international trade



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- A permanent property tax exemption for all Canadian Forces social community organizations, e.g. Legions, ANAF, to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the battle of Vimy Ridge.
- An expedited completion of the new North Tower of Richmond General Hospital.
- The building of four community centred mini medical centres to provide house visit services to the chronically ill, occupied by 4 doctors and 2 registered nurse/nurse practitioners. The case load limits would not apply. Compensation will be based on quality and not quantity criteria.
- A pilot project to have a registered nurse/nurse practitioner in our current medical clinics to assess the increased availability of doctors to patients and not be case load limited.
- A needs-based K-12 and post secondary education funding with inflation protection for 5 years terms.
- A 5 year poverty reduction plan combined with a community based economic development plan.
- Business VAT tax and innovation.
- Investment in clean energy.
- Banning big money in politics.

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