

## 2010 SPPACE Questionnaire

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### **Candidates for the North Carolina General Assembly State House of Representatives – District 99**

**1. What are the top three issues facing your district and how would you address them?**

The three most pressing issues in the District are job creation, transportation, and supporting small business development. I would address these issues by supporting programs to recruit new business opportunities to the District, supporting tax credits and access to business loans for small business, and working to come up with sound policies and strategies to address our transportation needs in the District.

**2. In 2007, the North Carolina General Assembly authorized counties, subject to voter approval, the ability to impose an additional general fund revenue source (a .4% land transfer tax or a .25% sales tax). To date, the transfer tax has been defeated in every county where it has been considered. Would you support legislation to repeal the transfer tax option?**

Yes.

**3. Would you support a local bill enabling Mecklenburg County to impose a real estate transfer tax or impact fee?**

I would not support adding an additional tax or fee on the development community given the current economic climate, and the state of the industry at this time.

**4. Because North Carolina is facing an estimated \$3 billion shortfall, comprehensive tax reform for the state continues to be at the forefront of discussion in the General Assembly. The prevailing thought is to “broaden the base and lower the rate”. This means taxing items, services, transactions, etc. that are currently untaxed and either reducing the rate or eliminating altogether the taxes on items, services, transactions, etc. that are taxed at a high rate. Are you in agreement with this concept? Please explain your answer.**

I would need to become more familiar with the concept to make an informed answer.

**5. There are over 20 different environmental agencies in the State of North Carolina that regulate water, air quality and land use. Would you support the consolidation of these departments? Please explain your answer.**

Yes, we need a more consolidated approach in regards to the regulation of water and air quality, and also land use practices in the State.

- 6. Do you support giving North Carolina's Counties the authority to hold a "Pennies for Progress" referendum similar to South Carolina's? (South Carolina's program is a 1/4 cent sales tax dedicated to a specific list of projects that sunsets after a period of time or when the projects are completed.) Please explain your answer.**

I would have to know more about the working parts of the issue before I can make an informed opinion.

- 7. Would you consider changing the current NCDOT funding formula to make it more equitable for the growing urban areas? If so, what would you propose?**

Yes I would. It makes sense to build and fund roads where the highest concentration of population and road usage occurs.

- 8. Would you support a Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) tax as a means to pay for road construction and/or maintenance?**

No I would not.