

Sample Forum Questions

SAMPLE QUESTIONS FOR CANDIDATES

1. Well lit streets are known to discourage loitering, vandalism and other crimes. What are you planning on doing to address the lack of street lightning in many areas of the south end in order to ensure safety in our neighborhood?
2. How will you encourage the strengthening and enforcement of city regulations to make businesses, tenants and home owners to keep their property clean?
3. How will you enforce encourage the strengthening and enforcement of city regulations to make pet owners to clean after their pets?
4. What can the city government do to improve the removal of snow from our streets?
5. What will you do to make sure that there is more police presence in our neighborhoods to ensure our safety?
6. What steps will you take to address an alternative education program (Vocational or skilled trade) for High School drop outs with the school committee?
7. The influx of low income residents from out of New Bedford has caused our already overworked school system and social welfare organizations to reach the breaking point. In your opinion, does the state of Massachusetts and the Federal government provide the necessary financial resources to properly meet the need of these newcomers to our city? What can the city council do to improve this situation?
8. We all know that there are drug markets in our neighborhoods. Why do they still exist and what can the city government do to close them down?
9. As we know, combating crime requires the effective cooperation between the police and the local residents, as a candidate what do you believe is the responsibility of the local residents to combat drugs and violence in their neighborhoods?
10. We have heard and read of several breakdowns in the police department's "No Snitch" policy. Why is the confidentiality policy not being fully enforced in the "No Snitch" policy?