

2018 Council Candidate Questionnaire Responses – River Heights-Fort Garry

Candidates: Gary Lenko, John Orlikow, Garth Steek

1. Do you support public services and what is your plan for providing better city services to Winnipeg Residents?

Gary Lenko: I support public services and I believe that all city services should be provided by city employees. I am against the privatization of public services. Privatization has harmed city workers by cutting hundreds of well-paying full-time jobs with benefits and safety protections. I will advocate strongly to get our city workers back their jobs, including snow-clearing, road repairs, and water treatment & supply.

John Orlikow: I support public services in Winnipeg. I believe that empowering employees to be a part of the decision-making process creates the best environment to produce the best city services for Winnipeg residents.

Garth Steek: (Response not received)

2: Do you think that everyone who is delivering city services and paid through taxpayer dollars, deserve to make a living wage?

Gary Lenko: Yes

John Orlikow: Yes, I believe those delivering city services deserve to make a living wage.

Garth Steek: (Response not received)

3. If elected, will you support a living wage policy for the City of Winnipeg that will apply to city workers and private city contractors?

Gary Lenko: Yes I support a living wage policy for city workers which I believe they already receive, however, I have read that private contractors utilize workers from labour-ready type organizations that do not pay a living wage and fail to protect workers. I would ensure that any contractor hired by the city pay a living wage to their employees and carry workers compensation insurance and general liability insurance.

John Orlikow: Yes, I would support a living wage policy that extends to city workers and private contractors.

Garth Steek: (Response not received)