## **Candidate Questionnaire and Answers**

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| COUNCIL                               | Maribyrnong City Council 2024 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| WARD (if applicable)                  | Burndap Ward                  |
| CANDIDATE'S NAME (as on ballot paper) | JORQUERA, Jorge Andres        |

What is your vision for the municipality of the above Council? (maximum 50 words)

I want a Council that puts people first, not developer profits. A council that supports home owner-occupiers and renters. A Council that is focused on building community connection, expanding our green and public spaces, and increasing public services, including childcare, health, aged and wellbeing services. Accountable, transparent and democratic.

What expertise or attributes do you have which would help you in undertaking the role of Councillor? *Provide details (maximum 50 words)* 

I am a current Maribyrnong City Councillor. I prioritise supporting communities to organise themselves and challenge governments that are not meeting community needs and aspirations. I work as a community organiser, and have decades of experience in advocacy, community development and education (in schools, TAFEs and universities).

| Have you read the current Council Plan for the council named above?   | Yes  |
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| Have you read the current Councillor Code of Conduct for the council named above?   | Yes  |
| Are you endorsed by a registered political party?  Note: Registered political party has the same meaning as in Part 4 of the Electoral Act 2002.  If yes, provide the name of the registered political party.  Victorian Socialists | Yes  |
| Are you currently a Councillor?   | Yes  |
| If yes, what has been your attendance record at Council meetings during your current term of office?  | >90% |
| <b>Note:</b> Council meetings means Council meetings referred to in section 61 of the Local Government Act 2020 but does not include meetings held for which a Councillor has been granted leave from attending by the Council.     |      |

What are your contact details (so that voters can contact you)? *Provide details* Jorge Jorquera. Ph: 0416 200 922. Email: jorge@victoriansocialists.org.au

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