



Ambleside and Dundarave Residents Association

CANDIDATE PROFILE

Name Amir Alavi

QUESTION		
1.	What is/was your occupation? Your education?	1- Master of Public Policy student at UBC 2- Bachelor of Commerce – Business Technology Management, and Operations & Logistics dual-specialized – Sauder School of Business, UBC – 2018 3- Worked in banking, insurance, investment, and manufacturing 4- Currently working as part-time Uber Driver to finance my studies 5- Also, working on a fintech platform, which will be announced in 2 months
2.	Do you currently live in West Vancouver? For how long?	My wife and I, we are both studying our masters at UBC. It has been a year or so that we moved closer to UBC
3.	List of municipal or civic group experience.	First time civic candidate – more than 10 years of volunteering in a Persian community centre in North Shore
4.	Why are you running? (50 words or less)	Anyone who is running for council must show that they are ready to give back to his/her community, one way or another, and be able to prove that he/she has done it before. He/she also needs to have a vision, know the on-the-ground issues, and have a clear platform to run on. I check for all of them.
5.	If elected, what are your top 3 priorities? (50 words or less)	1- Housing 2- Traffic 3- Business Activity Please check my website for more detail
6.	What are the top 3 challenges facing West Vancouver? How would you address them? (75 words or less)	1- Housing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Streamline approval process - Laneway housing - Increasing projects like Gordon Ave across WV 2- Traffic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BRT - Utilizing water - Going back to review previous options provided by NorthShore Connect. 3- Business Activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Connecting experienced WV

		<p>residents to young entrepreneurs who are looking to start a small business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bring businesses that help maintaining the character of the community
7.	<p>Do you support a 38M publicly funded Arts Centre? In Ambleside Park? With a hotel? If not, what sort of arts facilities would you support? (75 words or less)</p>	<p>Simple answer NO! If it is not privately funded, I will not vote for it. It also has to come with a plan to be self-sustained in a timely schedule. IF it comes privately funded, and it needs DWV to be supported TO BECOME self-sustained within the schedule provided, I consider voting for it. After all, arts bring sustainable and steady revenue for WV and enhance the community character. About the location I am open to suggestions, but I think if it is closer to the library and community centre it will reduce the overall inner-community traffic.</p>
8.	<p>What is the maximum height and density you would support for future buildings along Marine Drive corridor and Ambleside and Dunderave Villages?</p>	<p>It is the matter of what we want. If we want affordable housing, then densification and moving vertically is the answer. My decision on the density and height for the future will be based on 3 factors: community safety, housing affordability and traffic control. This is a question where the community can also add their input on Ambleside LAP.</p>
9.	<p>Traffic gridlock has been a major issue identified by residents. What actions would you take to address this issue? (50 words or less)</p>	<p>Already mentioned on section 6. Also, please check my website</p>
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