



CANDIDATE PROFILE

Name Mark Sager

QUESTION		
1.	What is/was your occupation? Your education?	<p>Lawyer</p> <p>Harvard Law School, Program on Negotiation Law Degree, University of British Columbia Bachelor of Arts, University of British Columbia Universite' du Provence, France University of Hawaii</p>
2.	Do you currently live in West Vancouver? For how long?	I am a lifelong resident of West Vancouver
3.	List of municipal or civic group experience.	<p>Former Mayor of West Vancouver, Police Board Chair, Vice Chair of Metro Vancouver, Chair of Metro Budget and Administration, Former Councillor, School Trustee and Board Chair. I have been fortunate to serve on many boards and commissions in our community, from our library board to FANS – the Fund of Arts on the North Shore - to the Parks and Recreation Commission. And for the province, I chaired a commission on School District Administration. I have also chaired many strata corporations and homeowners associations. I currently sit on our Ambleside Dundarave Business Improvement Association.</p>
4.	Why are you running? (50 words or less)	<p>I love our community and feel extremely fortunate to have grown up here. I am also grateful for the support and confidence the community showed to me when I first started in public service. I am very concerned at the current direction the community has taken and how divided it has made us. I hope to be part of the solution to get us back on track.</p>
5.	If elected, what are your top 3 priorities? (50 words or less)	<p>To get our council and community working together, so that together we can find real solutions to our development issues, transit, and tax issues.</p>
6.	What are the top 3 challenges facing West Vancouver? How would you address them? (75 words or less)	<p>We currently do not have a strong voice at the Metro table and this has impacted our transit service and we need to fix it.</p> <p>We need to re-establish our advisory finance commission and work on a long-range financial plan. We can not continue to increase taxes at the rate they have been. This impacts on the affordability of our community.</p> <p>We need to pay attention to our physical assets – for example far too many of our roads are in desperate need of repair.</p>

7.	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)	No, we need our Ambleside park for park space. We can have an art centre in the commercial district which would help bring needed life to the area. It can be a community amenity and part of a development plan. It will not divide our community if we see it funded from non-taxed sources, which is certainly possible. We must also watch to ensure we can afford any on going operational costs.
8.	What is the maximum height and density you would support for future buildings along Marine Drive corridor and Ambleside and Dunderave Villages?	The building of which I have part ownership in at the corner of 15 th and Marine Drive is a 3 FSR that is enough. We want low buildings which help create a village feel. We do not want high rises in the heart of our village.
9.	Traffic gridlock has been a major issue identified by residents. What actions would you take to address this issue? (50 words or less)	I would like to try a system of transit on demand. Rather than running large double length buses through our community, we need small vans which can pick up and deliver people to where they live and where they want to go. We also need to look at staggering the start and end time for people in the construction industry.
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