

Ambleside and Dundarave Residents Association

CANDIDATE PROFILE

Name_____

	QUESTION	
	What is/was your occupation? Your education?	Researcher, nurse (including Emerg), educator, CFO/CEO Engineering firm, project manager.
2.	Do you currently live in West Vancouver? For how long?	I was born in a little house on Erwin Drive (that is still there), visited my famous artist grandmother every summer on Sinclair Street as a child, moved to Queens many years ago, and to Mathers in 1996. Our business was in our home from 1993 until 2000. Our 4 children attended CP, WV Daycare, IP, PJ, Hillside, WVS, Sentinel, various programs from Gleneagles to Taylor Way, and Hollyburn (hockey - no space at the Rec Centre). Three are in Vancouver, one in Australia.
	List of municipal or civic group experience.	Mother of 4 (greatest contribution), VP PAC, strata treasurer, strata oversight group, volunteer, 3 months following up on WV traffic issues.
4.	Why are you running? (50 words or less)	A child was almost killed in front of me by a cut- through driver in June. We've not been able to resolve this, in spite of 3 months of tracking using our own data and expert sources. In July, I bypassed downed wires to help a an injured man escape a smoking car on Marine, after he sheered a hydro pole. I've never seen this level of chaos and danger before, including in my 25 years at this address. I'm running because this problem affects all WV and I know the data. It branches into all the other issues we have, much of the legwork is done, and my experiences and education seem to
	If elected, what are your top 3 priorities? (50 words or less)	All the issues are connected, and must be addressed considering each other. We have to consider traffic solutions in conjunction with engagement, eco-justice principles, safety, costs, liability, health, schools, affordability, neighbourhoods, liveability, businesses, our future, etc. The important thing is to do it properly, together, cost-effectively, with integrity, in a way that contributes globally, commensurate

	What are the top 3 challenges facing West Vancouver? How would you address them? (75 words or less)	Cut-through traffic in priority areas is the biggest and easiest. The solution is pennies. The costs are massive. I would run a simple 6-month trial in a limited area, based on global precedents, addressing all the issues, with the help of Engineering and residents, in what I now see as our pinnacle point, including divisiveness and perception. That could support wider application, including negotiations with other governments for
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)	I fully support the arts, from children playing house to my Grandmother's famous miniatures. Based on my interviews and knowledge of our situation, I don't think we should be investing in this now, or allocating land, without an overall plan. Many residents would get limited use, and some would be reluctant to afford the entry fees. If the advocacy groups are this committed, I suggest they fully fund it as a gift to WV, including land and future maintenance costs. I would support inexpensive local initiatives for children, where children can cycle or walk, and see their
8.	What is the maximum height and density you would support for future buildings along Marine Drive corridor and Ambleside and Dundarave Villages?	We need an overall plan, with first looks given to residents most impacted, including views, traffic, and sun corridors. If we want a change, we should be making a change to a full area, such as a zoning change, and considering all factors, not allowing ad hoc changes without consideration of unintended outcomes. I also believe change ideas might be preferable from the residents most impacted, not WV as a whole. Anything else creates anxiety, anger, and divisiveness, and risks
	Traffic gridlock has been a major issue identified by residents. What actions would you take to address this issue? (50 words or less)	Traffic is a major issue because there is no plan and no data that I can see, and areas of West Van are open to cut-throughs. This is contrary to Canadian standards, very dangerous, and is effectively unenforceable unless we spend massive amounts on policing.
10.	Website/contact information	Please send your stories and concerns, to ensure you are included. We appreciate your help and involvement. Thank you, Eileen et al https://sites.google.com/ashespaces.com/ westvancouvercouncil/home Info@ashespaces.com