

<b>QUESTIONS</b>	<b>Candidates for Carrboro Town Council</b>		
	<b>Cristóbal Palmer</b>	<b>Danny Nowell</b>	<b>Fred Joiner</b>
Do you want to see taller buildings (3–5 stories) approved and built in downtown Carrboro?	Yes	Candidate did not respond to the survey by the requested deadline	Yes
Should the Town streamline development approval processes, including what can be built “by-right,” to encourage commercial development and business growth?	Yes		Yes
Do you believe that increasing housing supply in Carrboro is essential to improve housing affordability for the region?	Yes		Yes
Do you support closing Weaver Street to vehicle traffic on a permanent basis?	Yes		No
Carrboro increased property taxes by 20% above the revenue neutral rate for the current fiscal year budget. Would you be willing to adopt a similar increase next year if it were necessary to fund established Town priorities?	No		Unsure
<b>OPEN-ENDED QUESTIONS</b>			
What is your vision for the future of downtown Carrboro? What public funding and policy/zoning changes would be required to help achieve that vision?	The most recent draft of the Downtown Area Plan captures a lot of what I like about Carrboro, both from a visual perspective and from a green space perspective. In terms of housing policy and transportation, I envision more frequent transit pickups at key stops, and changes downtown to make walking and biking from our neighborhoods and transit stops to and between downtown destinations easier.	Candidate did not respond to open-ended questions	
What core principles/priorities will you use to evaluate the issue of paid parking in a way that supports local businesses, their employees, their customers and town residents?	<input type="checkbox"/> Our 2022 Carrboro Connects Comprehensive Plan has Race Equity and Climate Action as foundational principles, and they're pillars of my campaign platform as well. Several popular and highly visible destinations are privately owned, and the legal tools aren't available to us to incentivize those private owners to take climate- and justice-oriented steps that we think would benefit them, too.		
What are the top three policy changes you believe are essential to achieve in Carrboro's comprehensive UDO rewrite?	Housing. Our UDO must have the clarity & consistency that will allow our standard review process to be faster than the current expedited review process of nearby towns, and we should have locally-produced, free plans that will allow expedited review for housing types that we want to see more of: triplexes, ADUs, cottage courts, etc. Transportation. Walking, biking, & transit should be supported to at least the same level as private cars. Housing--again. What we want more of should be by-right.		
What specific policies, services, or partnerships would you support to address public health and safety concerns in downtown Carrboro, particularly around public spaces like libraries, while maintaining compassionate and non-punitive approaches to homelessness?	<input type="checkbox"/> The Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness (OCPEH) hosted a Town Hall at the Drakeford Library Complex on September 11th, and we filled the large multipurpose room. I was struck during the Q&A at the end when CH Council Member Miller-Foushee asked for a show of hands of business owners, and only two hands went up. My call to the Chamber membership is to come to future OCPEH events. We need your partnership and engagement in person.		

<i>Candidates for Carrboro Mayor</i>	
Barbara Foushee	Joe Lloyd
Unsure	Candidate did not respond to the survey by the requested deadline
Yes	
Yes	
Unsure	
No	
A downtown that reflects Carrboro's town values where local businesses thrive, housing is affordable, public spaces are active and safe, and people of all incomes, ages, and backgrounds feel welcome. This vision should include conversations about building heights, parking, public spaces and affordable housing to name a few.	
Balancing the competing needs is important here. I could support paid parking policies that advance equity, protect workers, support downtown businesses, and advance climate and sustainability goals. Continued economic vitality and strong support for our local business needs are key to this issue.	
More diverse, affordable housing types; align land use with climate and race equity goals and make the UDO more readable, consistent and easier to understand.	
Policies for these concerns in downtown Carrboro near community spaces like libraries, public buildings, and transit stops would require a balanced strategy that protects public space for everyone without criminalizing poverty and homelessness. A couple of thoughts come to mind like the continued expansion of non-police crisis response & outreach services and the strengthening of community partnerships to share responsibility and create upstream solutions.	