Although the Library Board is not able to host the Candidates Forum for the upcoming election, we have received input as to what questions Canmore residents would like to hear candidates address.

We hope that candidates will take the opportunity to share their responses to the following questions using the social media channel(s) of their choice.

- One of the first and most important tasks the new Mayor and Council will face is hiring a new Chief Administrative Officer (CAO). What priorities, philosophies, experiences and education will you be looking for in a new CAO?

- Do you feel the size of Town Administration is adequate given the volume of activity?

- Do you think that Canmore's Municipal Development Plan or development review process should be amended? If so, how and why?

- We received questions related to affordable housing, noise and short term rentals, just some of the factors that contribute to liveability in Canmore. What should the Town do to improve liveability? Be specific. What outcomes do you expect?

- Do you see the need for a wide-ranging, inclusive community conversation that will shape the future of Canmore and will you support such an initiative?

- Do you believe that Canmore should grow? If so, how and where do you see growth occurring? What are the trade-offs in those approaches to growth, and how will you address those?

- Canmore has declared a Climate Emergency. What does that mean to you, and what new policies and initiatives will you propose/support?

- Residents need to know not only HOW you vote but, in many cases, WHY you voted as you did. When a matter comes before Council will you undertake to speak briefly to the decision you are making before the vote?

- Can you state your position on the proposed TSMV projects and what you see as the Town's next steps given judicial and Land and Property Rights Tribunal reviews?

And last, but not least:

- Do you think free Library memberships are important and what would you like to see added to the Library's programs or services?