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Yes. A stronger working Democratic majority in both (but mostly the Senate) chambers. An income tax would help restore the missing middle class by making our tax system more fair and equitable. In the meantime, we need to keep pushing for action that reduces cost burdens on low-income working families, children and single adults.

How would you vote on a transit-oriented development bill without an explicit affordability mandate and why?

I would vote Yes! Because we can't keep working on policies that incentivizes publicly funded transit/transportation choices without also reducing the well-known barriers that keeps affordable housing from being developed and built near these transit corridors.

Do you support the rent stabilization and renter protection bill (HB 2114) that made it through the State House last year? If so, how would you approach ensuring its passage in both chambers?



Yes! Again, strong working majorities in both chambers and the next elected Governor. I'm a proud supporter of this bill (the work) and we worked hard to keep it alive last session. We need to elect Senators who are on record for supporting this approach.

What are the highest priority items on your housing agenda?

Addressing housing affordability, wealth building, and efficient use of tax dollars in Washington requires a multifaceted approach. By implementing policies that increase the supply of affordable housing, expand access, support homeownership, stabilize housing markets, and ensure fiscal responsibility, Washington can create a more equitable and sustainable housing landscape for all residents. I will also continue to foster relationships with Local Governments as an important partner in all of this work.

What's your roadmap to fixing educational inequities in Washington state? How can Washington state comply with its constitutional duties regarding education, especially in light of several school districts including Seattle's contemplating school closures to grapple with deficits?

We need to work with our school districts and education advocates to build support for progressive revenue opportunities so that we can add additional funds to support our students, staff and community based organizations to better address the inequities in our current system. We also need to close the digital equity gap by ensuring that all students and staff have access to affordable/free internet at home, working devices and the digital skills necessary to fully participate in their education whether they are in the school or at home. The only way we can sustain this effort the state will need new dedicated revenue.

What share of the state's transportation budget should be for alternatives to cars, such as transit, biking, and pedestrian infrastructure?



Allocating 20-30% of Washington's transportation budget to alternatives to cars represents a significant but achievable shift towards more sustainable and equitable transportation.

**Do you support permitting jurisdictions to choose to hold elections in even years?
What other election reforms excite you?**

Yes! I also want to move the August Primary election to June. August is a time when many families and voters are distracted by Summer related activities. The data continues to show dismal voter turnout during odd - year, August Primary elections year after year.

Due to the interventions of ballot-initiative-monger Tim Eyman and a state legislature that caved to him even after a lawsuit overturned the measure in 2007, Washington State has a 1% cap on property tax increases, greatly tying the hands of local governments and forcing them to use ballot measures to fund basic services. Do you think this cap should remain? If so, what tools will you give local governments to deal with the [fiscal cliff they're facing](#)?

No. I think we should remove the cap. There are active conversations in partnership with local governments and elected officials from all around the state on what and how this cap should be removed. Voting against any harmful initiatives on the ballot this year is an additional action we can take to make sure we don't face any fiscal cliffs at the state level. .