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Our scoring system for moving from a number score to a letter grade was:

10	A+
9	A-
8	B+
7	B-
6	C+
5	C
4	C-
3	D+
2	D-
1	F

On our website, www.rpirg.org, we have more details about how we gathered the information from each candidate and how we calculated each grade.

We also provide each candidate's full answer to each question.

Head to our website if you want more info, and make an informed vote on October 24th!



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2012 Regina Municipal Election: Mayoral Candidate Report Card

On October 24th, Regina will head to the polls to elect a new Mayor and City Councillors.

The Regina Public Interest Research Group (RPIRG) asked each Mayoral candidate for their platform regarding five pressing social and environmental issues:

1. Bike lanes and support for cycling
2. Public transit
3. Community gardens and food sovereignty
4. Affordable housing
5. Waste management strategy

And the grades are:

Liz Brass	B-
Tom Brown	D+
Marian Donnelly	A-
Jim Elliott	C+
Michael Fougere	D+
Chad Novak	C+
Meka Okochi*	-
Tim Siekawitch	D+
Charles Wiebe	C+

*Meka Okochi did not respond.

For individual grades on each of the five issues, see inside!

Candidates were assessed based on three questions:

1. Does the candidate demonstrate understanding of and insight into the issue?
2. How well did the candidate answer the question? (ie. Did s/he answer all parts of the question?)
3. Does the candidate present tangible and realistic solutions to the issue?

Candidates received a mark between 1 and 10 for each of these questions; each mark corresponds to a letter grade (red, blue, and green; see back page for scoring system). Each candidate also received an overall letter grade for each issue (purple), which is an average of the three marks. The grades on the first page are an average of each candidate's marks for all 5 issues.

	1. If elected, what will you do to promote more bike lanes in the city? Will you support removing parking and/or driving lanes for cars in order to have more bike lanes? Will you support bike safety education for bikers, drivers, and/or pedestrians?	2. If elected, what will you do to promote sustainable transportation in the form of public transit? Will you work for more bus routes, lanes, and education promoting the benefits of the bus system?	3. If elected, what will you do to promote more public spaces for gardening? Food sovereignty is an extremely important issue, so what will you do to enable more residents in our city to grow their own food?	4. If elected, what will you do to ensure that all residents of Regina have an affordable and adequate place to live?	5. If elected, what will you do to decrease the waste of our city? Will you support the improvement of the recycling program, perhaps making recycling free and garbage carry a fee? Will you ensure that a composting program is instated? What will you do about the current location of the city landfill and the problems it poses for our aquifers?
Liz Brass	B+ B+ B+ B+	A+ A+ A+	D+ D- F	A- A+ A+	B- B+ B-
Tom Brown	C- C- D+	F F F	C C+ D-	C C+ C+	D+ D- F
Marian Donnelly	A+ A- B+	A- B+ A-	A+ A+ A-	A- B+ B+	B+ A- B+
Jim Elliott	B- C+ C+	B- C C	C+ B- C	B- B- C	C+ B- B-
Michael Fougere	C+ C C-	B- C+ C+	F F F	D- C- C-	F D- F
Chad Novak	C+ C C	B+ B+ B-	B- B+ B-	D+ B- C-	B- B+ B-
Tim Siekawitch	B- C+ C-	D+ D+ F	F F F	C- C C	F F F
Charles Wiebe	B+ B+ B-	B- C D+	C+ C+ C-	B+ C C-	C+ C+ D+