

Mayoral Candidate - Travis Duncan

1. What ideas do you envision to reach significant progress with the goals identified in the Blueprint?

MFI framing of the conversation is a crime against humanity. MFI presupposes that because a person does not have access to United States Federal Reserve Note Currency Dollars, they do not deserve a high quality of life. This sick belief system is morally outrageous, and factually inaccurate. Currency is, by design, a scarce resource. Housing, however, is an abundant resource, since it is derived from the Earth's resources, and subsequently organized by human beings. Once we decide to become a species of integrity and start from a frame that ALL people deserve an abundant shelter, simply in accordance with this resource FACT, then when we come to the table to put the pieces together we will find new possibilities never previously considered. Since when did we become so confused to think that one person's wealth objectives can unilaterally decide the fate of the majority, or anyone, simply based on scarcity- market factors? This whole discussion is a farce perpetuated by the real-estate and lending industries. What they fail to realize is that they can still make money while ALL people live in absolute abundance; Scarcity Mentality leads to Scarcity Investments; they are scared and they need our compassion, our forgiveness, and our creativity. It's frankly disgusting to hear people speak about MFI as if it's some grand egalitarian solution, as if the market is the ONLY solution to human beings having amazing quality of life. Here's one thing for sure: we can count on the rest of the world to continue this madness, and I am here now co-creating with the voters of Austin: Finally make the choice to become a different type of city, a city of LOVE, of infinite possibilities, of solutions that benefit EVERYONE.

New Funding – Perfect Timing for this, because the next question everyone asks is “well who is going to pay for this so-called abundant housing?” (Well, for one the people might choose to contribute \$250,000,000 to the city in order to build affordable housing, which if spent right could be accessible. It's crucial we assert single-family opportunity in every council district, as to universalize the range of Austin's geographical embrace by all people. These will become the debt-free, master planned eco-communities, more modern, custom to uniquely match the needs of each family, more sovereign than we've ever experienced in this lifetime.

New and Deeper Partnerships and Collaborations with Non-Profit Organizations – We will strive for the maximum cooperation between all organizations so everyone can thrive. We must innovate our processes without being attached to preestablished modalities, while always being open to new ways of shifting our collective focus in a more positive and unified direction. A major concern that falls on the non-profits is the paradigm of individual financial burden, and the constant plaguing of fundraising, while

simultaneously being fragmented from cooperation with various entities who may share aligned missions. We should maximize our collaborative opportunity by minimizing our shared risks. This is why we need Universal Resource Access.

Legislative Changes – I will propose the People’s Sovereign Municipal Zone Protections for Sovereign People’s Trust Authority Ordinance. This ordinance simply acknowledges the rights granted to the people as per Article 2 of the Texas Constitution, which asserts People give original authority to State and have authority to adjust the State to match the sovereign rights of the people, at any time; the 9th amendment of the US Constitution gives all people protections to assert any sovereign right not previously enumerated. Since the State of Texas, incorporated, charters the City of Austin, incorporated, and the people, natural, give the original authority to the State to grant authority to the City, the people have the authority over the State and the City, and the City remains with an obligation to uphold the Constitution of the United States, of Texas, and the City Charter of Austin, which must include the superseding rights of the people to have sovereignty on the land and to have access to the Earth’s abundance, and any entity in violation of that abundance is in violation of those rights of all people. Since all the People are the Earth, any violation to the Earth is a violation to the People. The City ordinance would simply assert that the people have the right to form their own independent, cooperative & full-sovereignty method of asserting authority to develop land for the protection of universal resource abundance across all generations of all Beings. This could be considered a People’s Trust, for example. The city can enter into cooperative protective partnership with people’s trust, and ensure that despite the confusion or shirking of responsibility by the State, the City will do our duty to the people and planet.

Land Development Code Changes – One by One. Real-Time, Fluid Adaptability. This is very simple: All we need to do is identify the most urgent items that need updating and find a full- sovereignty consensus on them one by one. Rather than pass everything all at once in a fully branded and marketed package, we need to settle one issue at a time. We are much more likely to make sustainable and meaningful progress in real time. We need to radically change our approach to the code, to ensure we are constantly abreast to the latest buildings being built, and incorporating real-time changes as per the updated information and new opportunities. Participation from the Private Sector – There are Unlimited Regenerative Investment Opportunities for private sector. Cooperative, People-Owned, Multi-generationally conscious land development solely for human vitality has a higher yield for profit, but not in charging for the right to live in the housing, rather by stimulating the innovative potential of human beings in the housing. Once we invest in the liberation, wellness and education of ALL people in Austin, we will become a city of 1,000,000 entrepreneurs. This potential could yield hundreds of billions of dollars

annually, and with city invested profit sharing, could over time eliminate our need for extractive taxes with this new regenerative revenue stream.

2. how do you suggest we enable the market to build more attainable housing for families and individuals currently priced out of our market, but earning more than 80% MFI?

MFI debate is a disgrace to humanity, as we've established earlier. While we bicker about how much percentage exploitation we'll tolerate, we accomplish nothing. The market is NOT the Solution (that is, with our current understanding of what market means). The solution is an Evolved Awareness of Our Shared Humanity. Our solution could be as simple as all developers and real estate agents experiencing a plant medicine healing ceremony together. Seriously. We need to clear our fear, heal from our trauma, listen to our gut mind, resonate truly with our heart mind, and use our brains in ways we've never explored so we can get to work. The time is now folks, we have the choice to make. We need to view our city as a massive shared asset that we can use to maximize our quality of life. In order to dramatically increase the probabilities of groundbreaking-universal-innovations to originate in Austin, we must maximize the potential of EVERY single human in our community. This means we must eliminate the cost of living, ensure every person has free vital water, organic foods, optimal shelter, freedom of transportation, and full access to limitless education and advanced technologies. We need to build a system that gets rid of our costs, eliminates our internal risks, and optimizes our potential of becoming the most innovative and prosperous place on Earth, to become the model for the planet. This is possible in completion within 10-12 years, given I am elected mayor along with a conscious & collaborative council, so we can decentralize the hierarchy and SERVE the people and the planet we are so blessed to inhabit. We have a very clear choice to make. I am serious about everyone benefiting; it's time to become a better version of ourselves. I would not be running for mayor if I was just going to support the same old antiquated models the rest of the extractive system employs, the same our elected officials espouse, and our industries aggress; the lackluster reactionary policy-leeching steered by limiting beliefs, scarcity- mentality, & lack of imagination, while mired by ego-driven deafness of the heart.

If You're Against this, it's because you want to exploit the people for Profit. That would constitute a violation of the sovereign rights of people, and we must protect all people. Given there is a strong desire for real estate developers to build things in Austin for their personal profit, and given that up until this point all of that development has made our problems worse while violating the people and the Earth, it is now time to support a cooperative approach for Regenerative Real Estate Investment. By shifting our focus onto investing in the wellness of the people, we are therefore investing in the innovative and entrepreneurial potential of our people, and further maximizing our profit potential. Charging a person for shelter is such a primitive way to invest resources into driving

human housing behavior. We need to think bigger, and invest in the liberation of people to unleash their true innovative potential. There is always cooperative opportunity for investments, and anyone in Real Estate should not be afraid of me. I am giving you MORE opportunity to invest, with bigger profits while becoming more fulfilled. Everyone will make MUCH more money together when we are ALL thriving. This is an evolved understanding of the market, remember! Let's not limit ourselves any longer! Let's all become abundant rock stars and be the city of the future. Austin is our collective, cooperative business. Let's eliminate cost and risk, and maximize quality of life and profits for all of us. (This of course corresponds directly with our Whole-System approach of Universal Resources, utilizing the newly available energy technologies, as well as Ubuntu-Consciousness cooperative networks.)

3. How would you encourage large employers and private sector partners in Austin to contribute to the provision of affordable housing for their workers and the industries serving them?

The ONLY Housing Investment Opportunity is in Abundance-Housing for ALL People. There are no limits to what we can accomplish. Since this question most contemporarily is framed using Amazon as an example: We could allow Amazon to build regenerative density housing, in accordance with our abundance guidelines, and given the people of Austin share in the profits of the development (STR, Innovations). This is more of a partnership approach. There's no sense in actively inviting any corporation to come to Austin unless they are going to invest in us to help all people in Austin thrive. Before considering any proposals from a company like Amazon, I would ask Jeff to personally fund a \$100,000,000 program to end homelessness for good in Austin by creating a Shelter-For-All self-sustaining healing-ecovillage of abundance. This would be for good will, and since Austin is the 11th largest city in the U.S. this is well proportioned given his alleged \$2,000,000,000 commitment to address homelessness. With smart building practices and abundance driven approach, we can eliminate the root causes of homelessness and build permanency and potential-maximization for quality of life. With all companies who want to invest in the people of Austin, we must always see ourselves as cooperative and mutually beneficial without compromising our sovereignty, freedom, complete Earth-resonance, and Maximum-Abundance approach. There is possibility to work with anyone who is ready to become a high vibrational human being.

4. What city policies and roles can the city play to prevent formal and informal evictions among low income tenants?

As proposed in the earlier responses, we must Provide Better Housing Models NOW – and over time we will Eliminate the Threat of evictions for all people. It's important we START this process ASAP, so it happens in parallel with necessary immediate protections to ensure people have shelter. We need to find ways NOW to make sure that everyone has a place to stay is not being abused by their landlords. We need better enforcement in

the city attorneys and code enforcement offices, so landlords do not get away with neglecting residents. There may be some very obvious room in our budget or ways we can incentivize landlords to not evict people and offer compassion. There are a variety of approaches to this.

While we need to incentivize the maximum Regenerative Investment for Local People to Thrive, one possible interim model would be repatriate wealth that has been extracted from our people by out-of-town and negligent landlords. This would charge non-transferrable-to-tenant fees to every landlord who does not personally live in Austin, and use this revenue to fund eviction prevention programs that temporarily subsidize housing costs for those who cannot afford an occasional payment(s) and are under threat of eviction. Another permutation of this approach is to not allow any out of town landlord to evict a person or file credit complaints. Note: this idea is inherently a penalty, which fundamentally does not work in the long term, and usually has more negative unintended consequences than gain, nor does it solve matters on a wider holistic level; but in this scenario it could help with an urgent need, while driving the focus to regenerating and keeping wealth building in Austin, rather than being sucked out our local economy. Perhaps these out of town investors can be waived of charges if they sell their assets to regenerative local partners. We must always make sure the people of Austin are thriving, and we are building our wealth for everyone here.

Another broad idea that could help rents from rising and causing more probable eviction scenarios would be to shift to a land tax only, getting rid of the building tax. Some experts predict this would shift the burden off of homeowners and renters and spread it more evenly across industry and commerce operations, which ultimately would lower people's housing costs and potentially increase city revenue.

5. When considering affordable housing to be supported by the City, whether financial or other support, what are the top 4 or 5 criteria you would use to rank order a project to deem it worthy of support?

- a) Smart Construction – Earth Resonance, Net-Zero, Long-Term, Innovative, Spectacular Architecture
- b) Human Vitality Maximizing – Biofield Vitality, Sunlight, Circulation, Plant-Life
- c) Regenerative Profits – People-Owned – Built-In Revenue Models to Self-Sustain Costs – Debt-Free Objective, Indigenous Right to Return, Build-To-Own Sweat-Equity Models
- d) Transportation Savvy – Integrated Urban Rail / Autonomous Shuttle Access Points, Innovative Minimal Footprint Parking Solutions
- e) Thorough Community Walkability – Integrated Amenities, Healthy & Equitable Offerings, Cyclical Cooperative Engagement & Respect, Technological Immediacy