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Help us get to know you, what is your favorite event or small business downtown?



Cedar Coffee is my favorite small business. They are the epitome of the American small business dream, Ukrainian Refugees who truly enjoy providing the goods and services of a café down to the smallest detail or tiny flourish. I buy all my coffee from there and recommend their vanilla latte. It's hard to pick a favorite event downtown event. Recently I've really enjoyed Terrain's Summer BAZAAR, with a huge number of great vendors and citizens enjoying the festivities. I also really enjoy restaurant week. I used to work in the service industry and love to see those businesses celebrated and have chance to flaunt their abilities.

Cultivate Commercial Activity: Downtown depends on attracting investment, supporting businesses, and creating a place where people want to live, work, shop, and visit. What policies or investments would you prioritize to strengthen downtown's economic vitality?

The Clerk's Office scope effects community indirectly, in downstream ways. I want to focus on process efficiency to reduce bottlenecks in the criminal justice system, which effect downtown by proxy.

Setting the Foundation: Public resources are limited, and elected officials are often required to balance competing priorities when making investment decisions. How do you evaluate competing funding priorities, and what principles would guide your decisions when investments affect downtown Spokane?

This is a key responsibility of elected administrators like the County Clerk. I enjoy building and executing on thoughtful, comprehensive, and formal strategic plans. A key aspect of my administration will be transparency with the assessments and roadmap for the department, including publishing a full list of priorities and challenges. I naturally gravitate towards leveraging my business intelligence skillset, bringing an ambitious optimism to process review.





DOWNTOWN SPOKANE PARTNERSHIP

In my model, Downtown Spokane functions in at least two ways. 1) It is a force multiplier. If throughput bottleneck's from the Clerk's Office bubble up through the criminal justice system, individual impacts on businesses reverberate through community. 2) Downtown Spokane is a mechanism for people to feel connected to society, to believe in their system and community. So assessing downstream impacts of the Clerks Office to Downtown Spokane is important.

Is there any additional information you would like to share about your candidacy that you were unable to provide in the above responses?

I would be honored to serve this community and showcase what efficient, responsive, and energized local government can do for Spokane.



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