

<b>SLC Council Candidates District 7</b>	<b>1. The Utah Inland Port, created by the Utah Legislature, could potentially render the Salt Lake Valley unlivable. What authority does the city council have to limit the growth of the port or reduce the damage it causes?</b>
Amy Fowler	As a councilwoman, I have been fighting against the Inland Port from the beginning. After the legislature took over, I worked with other council members to negotiate affordable housing and nature preservation measures. The city also filed a lawsuit stating that the legislature used wrongful means to take away the powers of the city, it is currently at the Court of Appeals. Further, city council members have the ability to try to influence our legislators and the UIPA board.
Rainer Huck	I don't believe that the city council can do anything to change the course of the State's actions
Ben Raskin	Did not respond.
<b>2. On bad days, Salt Lake Valley has some of the worst air quality on the planet. Huge increases in truck and car traffic in the northwest quadrant will only make it worse. What is the city's role in addressing this?</b>	
Amy Fowler	The city is equipped with department directors that have vast knowledge and experience and are able to educate and influence the individuals that help make these decisions within the port authority. Some of these departments include transportation, public utilities, streets, and sustainability. As a councilmember, I have been able to leverage my relationships with key elected state officials to fund the air quality monitoring devices that will monitor the NWQ including the Salt Lake International Airport.
Rainer Huck	Within 5 years the majority of the commuter fleet will consist of autonomous electric cars which will solve not only the air problems but also the parking problems.
Ben Raskin	Did not respond.
<b>3. What will you do to protect the health of Salt Lake City's westside citizens who must live with the port's massive warehouses, noisy and dirty rail yards, traffic volume, congestion, noise, and badly polluted air? (There had been historic neglect, even abuse of the Westside of Salt Lake City. Air quality, healthcare, schools are the poorest in the valley. Westside residents are growing more and more aware of this discrimination and neglect.)</b>	

Amy Fowler	<p>These are some of my greatest concerns. Westside residents have some of the worst access to opportunities in the city, including access to transportation, medical aid, grocery stores with fresh fruits and vegetables, higher education, and the job opportunities. As a councilmember, I made sure the Funding Our Futures dollars were spent in creating four new bus routes that are part of the frequent transit network--meaning buses every 15 minutes that provide access to opportunities for all west side residents. I'm specifically excited for the 600 north and the 1000 north bus routes to come online next year. We've funded east-west corridor improvements for all forms of transportation to hopefully educate residents to get out of their vehicles and become more connected and healthier through these new forms of connectivity. The 600/700 North corridor transformation will be key to eliminate these east/west barriers. I will continue to use my friendships and network to further advance clean air initiatives on the west side and to bring to light the barriers that the railroad tracks bring through stopped trains barricading residents in their neighborhoods. We need to fight for quiet zones to be funded on the Westside so residents are able to have uninterrupted sleep. These are only a few of dozens of items that need to be addressed on the west side.</p>
Rainer Huck	<p>I agree that the west side has been neglected for a long time. This is a good reason to replace incumbent council members. It's a shame that the council didn't do anything to prevent the demolition of the old airport and the beautiful parking structure that was only 30 years old. This was an environmental and fiscal disaster. You don't enrich a society by destroying a billion dollar asset.</p>
Ben Raskin	<p>Did not respond.</p>
<p><b>4. As a community leader and city council member, how will you bring high wages, secure and union-supported jobs to the westside of SLC? (The Utah Inland Port touts good paying jobs but so far has built only warehouses. Warehouse employees are poorly paid, easily dismissed, and inevitably replaced by automation. These are not the high tech, high paid careers that promoters of growth hope for.)</b></p>	
Amy Fowler	<p>Currently the inland port hasn't built or funded any projects in the NWQuadrant, but the city was able to under my leadership! Stadler rail, through my connections, started its first apprenticeship program through the SLC school district. It trains and teaches kids, and ultimately provides them with great</p>

	manufacturing jobs that are offered out of high school. These jobs offer living wages, health benefits, and retirement. These are the types of jobs we should be creating.
Rainer Huck	As a council member I will incentivize the government and the private sector to invest in the west side and its residents.
Ben Raskin	Did not respond.
<b>5. How will you protect the abundant wildlife and up to 10 million migratory birds that depend on the wetlands of the Northwest Quadrant of Salt Lake City for survival?</b>	
Amy Fowler	Manufacturers or developers that want our tax increment should look to create a wildlife sanctuary on their properties. It should be mandatory that all development go through a green, wildlife friendly overlay and be required to meet with the Audubon Society to discuss glazing, roofing, plants, and water runoff/ponds. There is no reason why this development shouldn't provide the same employee benefits as life in the canyons. Imagine being an employee out there and being able to decompress on a stressful day by watching and observing one of the largest migratory bird areas in the nation. I can't stress enough the importance of being partners with all entities in this area.
Rainer Huck	The great salt lake has hundreds of thousands of acres of wetlands to support the wildlife. I'm sure that the construction of the port will not impact them in any measurable way.
Ben Raskin	Did not respond.