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INTERACTIVE ALL CANDIDATES CONNECT AHEAD OF THE (AUGUST 23) 2025 MUNICIPAL BYELECTION

Penticton, B.C. – The Penticton & Wine Country Chamber of Commerce will host a special **All-Candidates Connect** event on **Tuesday, August 12 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** at the **Penticton Seniors' Centre** located at 2965 South Main Street, with doors opening at 5:30 p.m. This public event will spotlight the candidates running in the upcoming municipal byelection and highlight their platforms and positions on the matters that are most important to Penticton.

Unlike traditional forums that rely on candidates answering questions on-stage, this event is formatted to facilitate direct engagement between the candidates and voters. After delivering opening remarks, candidates will rotate among tables, with each table centered on a key community topic including housing affordability, community safety, transportation and infrastructure, and more.

"Given the large number of candidates, we wanted to make sure that voters were able to hear from each candidate on topics important to each attendee while staying within a two-hour timeframe," said Michael Magnusson, Executive Director of the Chamber.

Chamber President Jordan Knox added that "The All Candidates Connect event will be a great opportunity to hear directly from the candidates in a more personal and conversational setting."

As of today, ten of the twelve registered candidates have confirmed their attendance, including:

John Archer Ankit Sachdeva Nicolas Stulberg
Juliana Buitenhuis Jordan Shade Janine Walker
Darcy Derbyshire Philip Solman
Wayne Llewellyn Shannon Steward

Candidate Jason Town communicated his regrets as he will be unable to attend.

This event is open to the public and free to attend although advanced registration is required. During the registration process, attendees will be asked to select or suggest topics important to them, ensuring that the conversations with the candidates will be relevant and insightful.

For more information, and to register, visit http://bit.ly/4lQtUEP

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