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2016 Candidate Survey Results

Name: Chip Davis

Office Sought: Arizona House

District: 1

Status: Open Seat

Party: Republican

Website: Electchipdavis.com

Previous Public Office(s): Yavapai County Board of Supervisors

Occupation: Supervisor 1996 to current

Education: Associates, UofA center for rural leadership, Flinn Brown foundation civic leadership fellow

Accepting PAC Contributions: Yes

Are you interested in an endorsement: Yes

SURVEY QUESTIONS:

1) If elected, what are your top three priorities for 2017-2018?

Answer: 1. Education 2. Transportation/ infrastructure 3. Rural issues

2) Do you support eliminating the HURF transfers to DPS and other non-road construction and maintenance purposes?

Answer: Yes

Comments: Not only have we not addressed fuel use tax for the past 24 years, the cost of building roads has steadily risen for the past 24 years, we are now driving very fuel efficient and even electric cars meaning even less in fuel sales. The very first step in creating a sufficient revenue to address our failing infrastructure needs is to stop raiding HURF.

3) Do you support the continued use of bona fide independent contractors in the trucking industry and oppose efforts by state and local governments to reclassify owner-operators as employees?

Answer: Yes

Comments: The government needs to limit its influence in private business decisions.

4a) Do you support the conversion of our existing infrastructure into toll roads?

Answer: No

4b) Do you support the use of toll roads for construction of new infrastructure?

Answer: Yes

Comments: Public/private partnerships is another option our state should embrace.

5) On a scale of one to ten (one being low), how important do you believe transportation infrastructure (roads and highways) is to the success of the Arizona's economy?

Answer: 10

Comments: You cannot have a healthy economy if you cannot get goods and products in or out of the state. We are not going to attract new industry if potential industry see that we do not adequately invest in our infrastructure.

6) Do you support exploring options to increase revenues for transportation funding through either taxes or fees?

Answer: Yes, I think the legislature needs to increase taxes or fees to raise revenue for road infrastructure.

Comments: I think we ought to explore charging VLT (vehicle license tax) rates on vehicles similar to the way that commercial vehicles are charged by GVW (gross vehicle weight) only base it on fuel mileage. Example: car that gets 50 mpg pays higher than vehicle that gets 20 mpg.

7) Do you support or oppose the "Regulate Marijuana Like Alcohol" ballot proposition?

Answer: I oppose the marijuana proposition.

Comments:

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