



2013 QUESTIONNAIRE FOR CANDIDATES FOR CITY COUNCIL

Citizens Union would appreciate your response to the following questions related to policy issues facing the City of New York that are of concern to Citizens Union and residents of the City. We plan to make public your responses to this questionnaire in our Voters Directory, on our website, and in other appropriate venues. Responses to these questions will be one of several factors Citizens Union will use to evaluate candidates who are running for office in order to determine our "Preferred Candidates" for the primary election and "Endorsed Candidates" for the general election.

If you seek our support, we would also need to schedule an interview with you as part of the evaluation process. We will not automatically schedule an interview with you if you return this questionnaire, as we prioritize competitive races and resources constrain us from evaluating all races. Please contact us if you wish to be interviewed. We thank you very much for your response.

Candidate Name: INEZ E. DICKENS Age: 63

Campaign Address: 2155 ADAM CLAYTON POWELL BLVD.

Campaign Telephone Number: (212) 222-2356 Fax: () _____

Party Affiliation(s): DEM Campaign Manager Name: _____

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Education: NYC PUBLIC SCHOOLS, NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, HOWARD UNIVERSITY

Occupation/Employer (or years in currently held elected office): 8

Previous Offices, Campaigns and Community/Civic Involvement:

DISTRICT LEADER 70TH AD Part B, FORMER 1ST VICE CHAIR NYS DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE, MLK DEMOCRATIC CLUB, LIFETIME MEMBER NAACP

Are you willing to be interviewed by CU's Local Candidates Committee? YES NO _____

(Please note: Citizens Union can only grant its support to candidates we have interviewed. If you would like to be interviewed, please follow up with Citizens Union staff, as resources constrain us from interviewing every candidate.)

Have you completed requisite campaign finance filings? YES NO _____

Signature of Candidate: Inez E. Dickens Date: 7/2/2013

Citizens Union 2013 Questionnaire

I. Candidate Questions

1. Oppose
2. Support
3. Oppose
4. Support
5. Support
6. Support
7. Oppose
8. Support, provided that state and federal entities share costs of printing
9. Oppose
10. Oppose
11. Oppose
12. Support, provided that similar to the LBDC appointments are made by Council leadership.
13. (A) A committee chair can currently make recommendations for appointments to their committee provided that the candidate is qualified.

(B) Support

(C) Oppose, the City Council is neither a legal or investigative body

(D) Oppose
14. Oppose
15. The term “lulu” has no basis, but I support stipends for the additional work required by leadership roles. I have supported them in the past and will continue to do so.
16. Oppose

17. Currently, each Council Member determines the amount of discretionary funding that is allocated to their Community Based Organizations.
18. Oppose
19. The premise of this question is ridiculous question because who is going to determine, on the street, whether the stop and frisk that was performed was done in a “judicious manner?” The stop and frisk procedures currently utilized are largely racist and that is why I voted in support of the Community Safety Act. Changing policy is critical, but changing behavior on the street matters the most.
20. Nothing like another city commission sans any teeth.
21. Support, but who makes the recommendations to the CCRB
22. Oppose, criminal activity can be referred to the courts. CCRB is not a judge and jury.
23. The past zero tolerance penalty for elected officials lying had no teeth. You are asking the wrong question
24. (A) Oppose
(B) Oppose
(C) Oppose
(D) Support, but with Council oversight
25. Currently, units are defined, but why would you want to constrict their size. It would limit the ability to respond to unanticipated circumstances.
26. Projections vary too greatly to provide useful information. It would become a political football.
27. Support, but with Council oversight.
28. In Manhattan, this is currently done.

II. Candidate Accountability Questionnaire

1. The only promise I made is to do my best to represent my constituents which I have done by working for the creation of over 600 units of affordable housing, by fighting to bring jobs and spur economic, and by bringing discretionary funding and capital investment that ranks me amongst the highest in the Council.

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2. The promise I am making now is to continue to do my best to represent my constituents.