



**TED GATSAS
MAYOR**

2009 MANCHESTER ISSUES SURVEY

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Please send your completed survey to:

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1. What do you feel are the THREE biggest challenges facing the City of Manchester today that the Mayor should be working on?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Property Taxes | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> City Spending |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership at City Hall | <input type="checkbox"/> Crime and Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Jobs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Parking | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Street & Bridge Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Cemeteries | |

TAXES AND SPENDING:

1. On a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being the worst, 5 being the best) how would you rate the value of the city services you receive relative to the amount of property taxes you pay?

- 1 2 3 4 5 I do not pay property taxes

2. Recently a tax cap was proposed by a group of Manchester citizens. Their proposal would limit city spending increases on an annual basis by a specific percentage. Do you support this type of tax cap?

- Yes No Unsure

3. Do you have any suggestions regarding how the city could reduce taxes and spending?

EDUCATION:

1. On a scale of 1 to 5, (1 being the worst and 5 being the best) how would you rate the quality of the public education system in Manchester?

- 1 2 3 4 5

2. What do you feel are the THREE most important areas we need to improve in our schools? (check three)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Class size | <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher Retention | <input type="checkbox"/> Extra Curricular Activities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Curriculum | <input type="checkbox"/> Building Updates | <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher Pay |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outdated Text Books | <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Involvement | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

3. Would you support the Manchester School District becoming independent from city government and be granted taxing authority?

- Yes No Unsure

4. Do you have any suggestions on how to improve the quality of education?

PUBLIC SAFETY:

1. Do you think the City of Manchester is more safe or less safe than it was in 2000?

- More Safe Less Safe Unsure

2. Do you believe that we have adequate fire and emergency services coverage?

- Yes No Unsure

3. Do you have any suggestions for what could be done to improve overall public safety in Manchester?

PARKS AND RECREATION:

1. On a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being the worst and 5 being the best) how would you rate the city parks and playgrounds?

- 1 2 3 4 5

2. How often do you use the city parks and playgrounds?

- Daily Weekly Monthly Never

3. Should the City of Manchester develop McIntyre Ski Area into a year round facility?

- Yes No Unsure

4. Do you have any suggestions for improving city parks and playgrounds?

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

1. Do you feel that the city government is doing enough to attract and retain businesses and jobs in Manchester?

- Yes No Unsure

2. Do you think city government should explore cost saving “green” initiatives that could help make Manchester a more sustainable place to live and work?

- Yes No Unsure

3. Do you have any suggestions regarding economic development opportunities or “green” initiatives that should be pursued?

TRANSPORTATION:

1. On a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being the worst and 5 being the best) how would you rate the public transportation system in Manchester?

- 1 2 3 4 5

2. Have you ever been a passenger on the MTA?

- Yes No Unsure

3. If Yes, how often?

- Daily Weekly Monthly

4. Do you support charging higher rates on Sunday to support Sunday service to the mall and city parks?

- Yes No

5. Do you have any suggestions regarding public transportation in Manchester?

YOUR MAYOR:

1. What is the one thing that you would like to see the next Mayor do to help Manchester residents?

MY CAMPAIGN FOR MAYOR:

Can I count on your help?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> You can count on my vote | <input type="checkbox"/> Make phone calls to get out the vote |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Put a sign on my lawn | <input type="checkbox"/> I will send postcards to my neighbors reminding them to vote |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Put a bumper sticker on my car | <input type="checkbox"/> Attend functions, rallies and meetings |