

Questions for the Candidates (Non-Incumbents)

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10 Responses 



Response for: Anonymous

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1 If Elected into the 36th Guam Legislature, would you introduce or support legislation which proposes to reduce the Business Privilege Tax from 5% to 4%?

	Answer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes
<input type="checkbox"/>	No

2 If Elected to the 36th Guam Legislature, what actions would you pursue to Reduce or Right Size the Government of Guam? Please provide a short paragraph with no more than 4 sentences.

Evaluate the necessity of once dormant agencies and/or positions. Re-evaluate all positions that are near to or above the pay of Governor & eliminate anything unnecessary, while simultaneously updating and streamlining agencies to become more efficient. The antiquated system currently in place leaves employees overworked and citizens frustrated.

3 If Elected to the 36th Guam Legislature, what actions would you pursue to promote greater government Transparency? Please provide a short paragraph with no more than 4 sentences.

Executive Order 2020-05 is a prime example for the need of eliminating any possibility of suspending or limiting the Open Government Law. The ability to place limits on such laws, particularly in times of an emergency sparks ethical questions that only leads to governmental distrust by its' citizens.

4 Bill 265-35 was introduced earlier in the year and proposes a "Citizen's Legislature" or basically a Part Time Legislature. What is your position on a Part Time Legislature? Please provide justification for why your either support or do not support one.

	Answer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I support a Part Time Legislature
<input type="checkbox"/>	I do not support a Part Time Legislature

5 Regarding the military buildup, do you support the present data collection process for the preservation of historical artifacts? If not, what process would you support, and would this recommendation create any further delays for the ongoing buildup? Please select a YES or NO answer, followed by your thoughts with no more than 4 sentences.



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Comment: Aside from reading Section 106: National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and seeing photos on the news, I am not familiar with everything entailed in the process. The one thing I did find disturbing about artifacts found was how they were collected and placed in a pile and from what I understand were buried on a neighboring island. All artifacts should be carefully handled, documented and preserved on Guam. This process should not create further delays & should not be limited to finds on base.

- 6 **If Elected to the 36th Guam Legislature, what ideas will you propose to help resurrect our economy? Please provide a short paragraph with no more than 4 sentences.**

We need to allow businesses to operate & give them a chance to survive. There should be limitations on how long & how often an executive order can lock down an economy before needing to consult with the legislature. The remaining small businesses require A LOT of assistance. Reducing business taxes and fees would help old & promote new businesses.

- 7 **Regarding "Economic Diversification", what industries do you believe the government of Guam should pursue, and if elected, what efforts will you pursue to help these industries materialize their presence in Guam? Please provide a short paragraph with no more than 4 sentences.**

Aside from suggestions from the Chamber of Commerce, I suggest deregulating the power company. The local utility would still deliver the electricity but by having a variety of retail electric providers it would allow for greener energies, create competition thereby allowing for lower rates, & provide new jobs which would lead to economic growth.

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Part-time is essentially used for small populations like Guam. A part-time schedule with lesser pay would encourage professionals in the community to run for office which would improve the selection of candidates & eliminate a disconnect with the community and better represent the working class family and is in tune with what the people want.

- 9 **In regards to privatization, if you had to select one agency, instrumentality, or service of the Government of Guam which you believe should either be privatized or the management be entered into a Public Private Partnership, which would you select, and why? Please provide a short paragraph with no more than 4 sentences, and please include how you would pursue this.**

Although I don't believe the power company itself should be privatized, I believe the distribution of the energy should be privatized for reasons stated above in question no. 7.

- 10 **What is your recommendation regarding resurrecting our Tourism Industry, which has been our primary economic pillar for decades, and is presently a victim of this pandemic? Please provide a short paragraph with no more than 4 sentences.**

1. Stop locking down businesses.
2. Eliminate the 14 day hotel quarantine.
3. Tourists will feel better when they get a vaccine.

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