AZAGC 2014 Candidate Survey



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Q1: Please answer the following contact information Candidate Name: T.J. Shope Campaign Committee Name: Shope for Arizona Campaign Address: 1206 N. Reeves Rd. City/Town: Coolidge State: ΑZ ZIP: 85128 Email Address: tj@tjshope.com Phone Number: 520-560-6531 State Representative Q2: What elected office are you seeking? Republican Q3: What is your party affiliation? Q4: Campaign Manager and/or Consultant: Manager Myself Consultant Alan Heywood, Amagine Communications Myself Q5: Press and/or Media contact: Q6: Name some of your key business organization endorsements? I'm still awaiting word on 2014 endorsements but the following were some of the endorsements in 2012: **NFIB** AZ Chamber of Commerce & Industry AZ Association of Realtors

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Q8: Have you ever been elected or appointed to public office at the local, state or federal level?

Election year and office(s):

2009-Present Coolidge Unified School District Governing Board Member/Vice President/ President 2013-Present Member. AZ State House

Q9: If elected, and you are running for the Arizona Legislature or United States Congress, which committees would you most like to serve (in order of preference) and why?

I love the three committees I serve on! Commerce Agriculture & Water

Energy, Environment & Natural Resources

Q10: Would you like us to contact you to make an appointment for an interview to seek our support? Yes

Q11: Would you be interested in visiting AZAGC member project sites?

Yes

PAGE 4: Policy Questions

Respondent skipped this question Q12: What are the greatest challenges for Arizona over the next two to four years? Respondent skipped this question Q13: What would you do to overcome these challenges? Respondent skipped this question Q14: Do you understand the relationship between infrastructure and the economy? Please explain. Support Q15: Do you support or oppose government spending for the purposes of investment in public infrastructure (e.g., transportation, water resources, water infrastructure, public facilities, state/local buildings, etc.)? Oppose, Q16: Do you support or oppose raiding the Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) and Vehicle License Tax Why?

(VLT) to balance the state budget?

Reps. Pratt, Coleman, and I along with Sheriff Paul Babeu held a press conference or two calling for HURF to be fully restored prior to the last legislative session and we will continue those calls.

Q17: Would you support or oppose a referendum that closes the loophole that allows the Arizona Legislature to raid the Highway User Revenue Fund (HURF) and Vehicle License Tax (VLT) to balance the budget?

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I would have to find out more information before I answer this question with any degree of confidence. I am generally leery of handcuffing the legislature's hands any more than now because there are simply too few options to balance budgets due to voter approved mandates in my opinion but I would be open to a conversation. I believe my answer to the previous question underscores my belief in fully funding HURF so I'm definitely open to the conversation.

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Q22: Do you support or oppose streamlining environmental regulations while weighing the impacts to both the economy and the environment.	Support
Q23: Some localities are passing ordinances that allow preferences for local contractors to get a bid advantage because of business location. In some cases the advantage to the "local" contractor is as much a 5% Do you support or oppose these ordinances?	Oppose
Q24: Under the guise of promoting "local labor", unions are adding language to city contracts requiring contractors to have apprecticeship programs, health insurance, a living wage, etc. prior to qualifying to perform work for the city. Do you support or oppose these provisions in city contracts?	Oppose