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From: Aaron Paquette

To: Members of ATU Local 569

I am currently seeking re-election to Edmonton City Council for Ward Dene on October 18, 2021. If re-elected, I pledge to all members of the Amalgamated Transit Union to act responsibly with your best interests in mind and advocate to Council on the following issues:

- I will continue to work to revisit the recent decision to contract out the cleaning services of Edmonton's buses and LRT in the upcoming budget deliberations.
- I will push to explore all alternative solutions to the trend of contracting out city work traditionally done in house by city employees.
- I will review the mandate provided to the City's administration and consider amendments that help to achieve a good faith contract settlement with ATU.
- I will consider the City's position on a Regional Transit System and act to reflect ATU members' needs.
- I will work to ensure that new service hours budgeted for ETS, intended to improve and expand the service, are kept in-house and not sourced to contractors.
- I will encourage Council to reconsider any harmful effects of the Reimagine Services initiative on city jobs.

These things I pledge to the members of ATU Local 569. In my time on Council I have been a tireless advocate for keeping transit public, and reframing the conversation of transit as a core, essential city service. I want to continue this work. I know these commitments are important to both the members of ATU and to the entire City of Edmonton.

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