

## AIA New York Political Action Fund 2023 NYC Candidate Questionnaire

The American Institute of Architects New York (AIANY) represents New York City's architects and professionals in related industries. Our members include private- and public-sector architects, firm owners and employees, academics, code consultants, architecture students, and others. We advocate for a political environment favorable to good design and the practice of architecture. More information about our advocacy efforts and public positions is available [through our website](#).

This questionnaire will assist our members in understanding which candidates are supportive of architects and design.

**Instructions:** Please answer the questions below and return as a Word document or PDF. Email answers to **Bria Donohue, Government Affairs Manager**, at [bdonohue@aiany.org](mailto:bdonohue@aiany.org), and include a headshot. Answers are **due no later than May 1, 2023**.

As this is a ranked-choice election, multiple candidates in a race may be highly rated. Candidates who gain high ratings may receive the following benefits:

- PAF contribution and the opportunity to solicit individual member contribution(s)
- Volunteers from AIANY staff and membership
- Outreach to AIA members in their district
- Use of AIANY logo

Language from responses to questions one and two may be published on the AIANY website and social media platforms.

Any questions regarding the questionnaire should be sent to Bria Donohue, Government Affairs Manager, at [bdonohue@aiany.org](mailto:bdonohue@aiany.org) or 212-358-6116.

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**Candidate Name:**

**Office:**

**District:**

**Political Party:**

**Point of Contact Name, Cell Phone, and Email:**

**Links to Website and Social Media Accounts:**

**Fundraising (not including pledges):**

**Endorsements:**

1. Tell us a little about yourself and why you are running. (200-word maximum)
2. Why do you want the support of AIANY, and what value do you believe you can provide to architects in New York City? (200-word maximum)
3. Local Law 97 of 2019 (Climate Mobilization Act) is currently being implemented. Do you support a limitation on Renewable Energy Credits (Intro 875A) of 30% by the Department of Buildings?

Yes No

Explain your thoughts on other rules for implementation. In addition, please note how you voted for LL97 if you were serving in the City Council in 2019. (100-word maximum):

4. SoHo/NoHo Rezoning passed. Do you support upzoning as a means of addressing housing issues in the city and your district?

Yes No

Explain your position. In addition, please note how you voted for the SoHo/NoHo rezoning if you were serving in the City Council in 2021. (100-word maximum):

5. Do you support a Comprehensive Plan (as suggested, for example, in Int 2186-2020)?

Yes No

Explain your position (100-word maximum):

6. Do you support Int 31-2022 (Open Restaurants)?

Yes No

Explain your position (100-word maximum):

7. Do you support Int 549-2022 (Solitary Confinement Ban)?

Yes No

Explain your position (100-word maximum):

8. Do you support all three of the proposed City of Yes zoning text amendments (Carbon, Economic Opportunity, and Housing)?

Yes No

Explain your position (100-word maximum):

9. Do you support qualifications-based selection (QBS) in lieu of low-bid procurement for capital projects?

Yes No

Explain your position (100-word maximum):

10. Do you support assigning greater portions of the City's budget to architect salaries and benefits to fill unfilled positions at City agencies?

Yes No

Explain your position (100-word maximum):

11. Do you support the implementation of congestion pricing?

Yes No

Explain your position (100-word maximum):

12. Do you support any bill(s) or law(s) lifting the Multiple Dwelling Law 12 FAR cap or enabling commercial/office to residential/affordable housing conversions as a means to addressing New York City's affordable housing shortage?

Yes No

Explain your position (100-word maximum):

13. The City Council has historically deferred land use questions to the affected district council member. Do you agree with the concept of member deference?

Yes No

Explain your position (100-word maximum):