

**ROBERT J. LUZIUS**  
CANDIDATE FOR PRESCOTT CITY COUNCIL

1. Why are you running for Mayor / City Council? Please describe your economic and financial training and experience, and explain why the people of Prescott should be willing to rely on you to make complex decisions on what activities the City should undertake, and how they should be paid for.

**Answer;1.) My campaign motto is “for the love of Prescott”, that is why I am running for re-election to City Council! I am an honorably discharged Veteran of the United States Navy. I was an Aircraft Crash Fire Fighter, my life and the lives of others depended upon my ability to make the critical decisions. Further, as a career member of the City of Cleveland, Ohio Fire Department I continued to hone and expand upon those ever important decision making attributes. I also learned the necessity being a team player. After leaving the Fire Department I started my own manufacturing company and maintained total control of all Sales, Budgetary and Financial aspects of the day to day business operation. I know what it takes maintain a budget and to meet a weekly payroll.**

2. What is the biggest tax-related issue facing the City of Prescott today? What recommendations do you have for dealing with it?

**2.) There are two: One is the road situation. We are already addressing that by placing the ¾% tax extension on the September 2009 Ballot! The other is; the Big Chino Water Ranch and pipeline. Solution: Plan, Mitigate, not Litigate!!**

3. What is your position on the September 1<sup>st</sup> “Vote YES for Streets” ballot proposition and why?

**3.) Yes, it’s obvious, if we don’t have the long term revenue stream, we can not do long term bonding to repair our streets. (If you want good streets, vote yes! If you’re satisfied with sub-standard streets, vote no!) Simple!**

4. Are you in favor of subsidizing private enterprises to locate in Prescott – under what conditions?

**4.) In most cases no! Yes, only if we are enticing a “high tech” employer to locate, or re-locate here with a minimum of 1,000 high paying jobs.**

5. Do you support the right of Prescott citizens to vote on spending projects of \$40 million or more, adjusted for inflation, as provided in the proposed Taxpayer Protection Initiative?

**5.) Yes, City Council and City Government did this to themselves by not having a sound financial plan in place before embarking on this pipeline boondoggle!**

6. Prescott's 100 year-old underground water delivery and waste systems are deteriorating, wasting water and leaking sewage into the ground. An independent consultant's report highly recommended replacing them for health and conservation reasons. Please list which capital improvement projects you would defer, in order to update our underground water and sewage systems?

- A. Downtown Fire Station ..... Y\_\_\_ N X
- B. Upgrade Police Practice Range ..... Y\_\_\_ N X
- C. Willow/Watson Fire Station ..... Y X N\_\_\_
- D. Police & Fire Storage ..... Y\_\_\_ N X, (when needed!)
- E. Airport Runway Land Purchase ..... Y\_\_\_ N X
- F. Park Upgrades ..... Y\_\_\_ N X
- G. Police Headquarters? ..... Y\_\_\_ N X
- H. Rodeo Grounds ..... Y\_\_\_ N X
- I. Fire Training Center ..... Y\_\_\_ N X
- J. Other:

**(We should employ a method by which we can tax everyone in the County who uses City Facilities, including utility infrastructure, streets and Public Safety Services!)**

7. How would you improve the lack of trust that exists between the Council and the populace?

**7.) Elect more members to Council with the same values as I have! I am the “voice of the People”. I’m not aware of any lack of trust toward me!**

8. How would you support and promote regional economic development in Prescott?

**8.) First of all, regional economic development will never occur until the City of Prescott has a far more aggressive Economic Development Department! We need an Economic Development Foundation, such as Prescott Valley! Why would they, (Prescott Valley) want “regionalize’ with anyone, including Prescott, when they are far superior than Prescott in attracting new businesses?**

9. How can we maintain the present flavor of Prescott and manage the quality of the new growth that is needed to sustain our sales tax revenue?

**9.) Same as number 8, improve our Economic Development Plan! Bring in clean, high paying jobs.**

10. If you needed to balance the City's budget, would you vote to increase taxes or would you vote to make the required cuts in the City's budget? Would you single out specific departments or would you make an equal cut across the board for everyone?

**10.) Equal cuts across the board for everyone. Except, Police and Fire, their pay level is too low now. In addition, our Police and Fire Departments, especially Fire who are under manned now when compared to National Standards.**