



## Questions for Candidates for US Congress Offices from the Conservative Coalition of Harris County

*Our questionnaire is designed to give the candidate space to indicate their reasons and opinions concerning issues surrounding their races. This questionnaire will be posted onto the Conservative Coalition of Harris County website for public voter viewing.*

Candidate Name	Position for which Candidate is Running
Wesley Hunt	7 <sup>th</sup> Congressional District

*Please give your answer to each of the following questions and please include your rationale with each answer. Please be concise and clear.*

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1.	Please describe the qualifications and experience that make you the best candidate for position for which you are running. <b>Answer:</b> I was born and raised right here in Houston, attended St. Johns School and then West Point. I spent 8 years as an Apache Longbow helicopter pilot, was deployed to Iraq and Saudi Arabia, and flew 55 combat missions over Baghdad in 2006. I know the sacrifice that it takes to protect our values and our way of life, and we need more people who do in Congress. I also learned how to lead under the most difficult circumstances. We need more people in Congress who know how to lead, stand strong and get the job done.
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2.	Please explain what you believe are the most significant issues in this race, why you are running for this position and what differentiates you from the other candidate(s). <b>Answer:</b> Our way of life is under attack from Washington liberals and socialist extremists are determined to eradicate the fossil fuel industry and transform our country. Lizzie Fletcher is with them, not us. The energy industry is the heart and soul of Houston's economy and employs thousands in our district. I will not allow radical liberals to destroy our economy and change our way of life. I defended our nation from foreign threats and I am ready to continue my service and defeat this threat to our way of life.
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3.	What will be your top 2 or 3 priorities during this upcoming term? <b>Answer:</b> My top priority will be to support President Trump in securing our southern border and building a wall to stop the flow of illegal drugs and people. Second, I will protect our energy jobs by defeating the Green New Deal and any other legislation that would harm the energy industry in Houston. Third, I will work to pass an infrastructure bill that includes funding to help protect Houston from future flooding.
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4. Polls indicate that faith/trust in the US Congress is very low. What can be done to restore the public's faith/trust in the US Congress?
- Answer:** First, we need representatives who actually represent their district, not special interests in Washington. We need fewer career politicians who promise one thing on the campaign trail and then do the opposite in Washington. In the Army, I learned that your word is your bond. In Washington, I won't have anyone except 7<sup>th</sup> District residents on my mind. I believe term limits and a ban on members of Congress from becoming lobbyists would be important steps to restoring trust in Congress.
5. Please describe what you believe is the proper role for the federal government in job creation and intervention in the economy. What budget items need to be cut (i.e. social programs) and what taxes and fees need to be increased?
- Answer:** We need to get the government out of the way of job creators so they can continue growing and employing more Houstonians with increased wages. By lowering our taxes and decreasing regulations, President Trump has allowed our economy to prosper. However, if we're going to keep the economy strong, we need to get our spending under control and reduce the debt. If we don't, it will catch up with us and cripple our economic growth. There is tremendous amounts of waste, fraud and corruption in a number of different programs that we need to investigate. For example, in 2013 alone, more than 1,500 deceased individuals received an estimated \$15 million in Social Security payments. We need to address these types of wasteful spending to continue growing our economy and employing Houstonians.
6. Should the federal government finance and build the border wall with Mexico?
- Answer:** We are a nation of laws. If we want to continue being a sovereign nation, we need to control our borders. Physical barriers have been very effective at reducing areas experiencing high levels of illegal border crossings. In addition, we need more border patrol agents, more technology and better internal enforcement. The current crisis—from drug trafficking to human trafficking to overcrowded detention facilities on the border--has resulted from politicians failing to show political courage and address this problem.
7. Do you support defunding "Sanctuary Cities"? Should immigration laws be reformed?
- Answer:** Yes to both. However, unless we secure our southern border, any immigration law reform will be ineffective.
8. What changes should be made to the Affordable Health Care Act (Obamacare), and in general, to the US healthcare system by the Federal government?
- Answer:** Our biggest issue with healthcare is the rising cost of care. We need to increase competition in the marketplace to raise the quality of care and lower the price. I support a system that includes free market provisions that increase transparency and competition in the marketplace. All of these will help replace Obamacare with a more cost-effective system that still protects those with pre-existing conditions.

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Are any additional federal actions needed to change or enhance Federal gun laws?
<b>Answer:</b> I believe that we need to start by enforcing the laws we currently have on the books. I am a strong supporter of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Amendment and believe in the right of every American to defend themselves and their family. At the same time, I support our current laws to keep guns out of the hands of criminals and the mentally unwell.
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What state and local issues in your district will you address at the Federal level if you are elected?
<b>Answer:</b> We need to address flooding in Harris County. For me, that means working with the Army Corps of Engineers to speed along the process for building a third reservoir and dredging Addicks and Barker. It also means exploring methods of increasing conveyance such as tunnels and making sure the Houston Strong project gets federal funding.

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