

2014 Election Questionnaire
Capital Region Municipal Amalgamation Society (Amalgamation Yes)
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TO EACH CANDIDATE STANDING FOR ELECTION TO PUBLIC OFFICE IN ONE OF THE 13 MUNICIPALITIES OF THE CAPITAL REGION DISTRICT IN NOVEMBER, 2014. Please complete and return to amalgamateyes@gmail.com by November 2, 2014 Responses will be posted on the <http://www.amalgamationyes.ca> website.

Candidate name: LILSA CHONG
Candidate for: (mayor or councillor) COUNCILLOR
COLWOOD

1. Are you in favour of the principle of reducing the number of municipalities in the Capital Region through amalgamation? Yes or no. Please explain.
2. Do you believe that residents should have the opportunity to state an opinion on the subject of amalgamation through a non-binding referendum question on the municipal ballot? Yes or no. Please explain.
3. If elected in your municipality, would you support the initiation of studies to determine the feasibility, costs and possible benefits of amalgamation? Yes or no. Please explain.
4. One suggested model for restructuring the region consists of three municipalities:
 - Peninsula (Sidney, North Saanich, Central Saanich)
 - Core (Victoria, Saanich, Oak Bay, Esquimalt, View Royal)
 - Westshore (Colwood, Langford, Metchosin, Highlands, Sooke).In your view, does this proposed structure have merit? Yes or no. Do you propose a different model? Please explain.
5. Do you agree that the merging of critical services such as policing, fire fighting and 9-1-1 emergency response would provide more effective and efficient public safety for the residents of Greater Victoria? Yes or no. Please explain.
6. In your view, what are the biggest obstacles to restructuring the 13 municipalities into fewer governance units? LACK OF LEADERSHIP AND VESTED INTERESTS
7. Do you believe that the Capital Region District Board has been effective in dealing with regional service issues, such as waste water treatment (sewage), composting kitchen waste, regional growth, transportation and transit planning, etc. Yes or no. Please explain. CRD BILLION DOLLAR BONDING ON SEWAGE
8. What would you do to improve regional governance in Greater Victoria?
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