



## 2020 Candidate Questionnaire

**Submitted by:** Raymond Christopher

**Email:** raymond@avelawfirm.com

**Phone:** 239 350 5444

1. What diversity of perspective, attributes, knowledge or skills would you bring to the office that differentiates you or that the other candidates don't have?

I am a Husband, Father, Attorney, Self Employed, and a Little League Coach. In University, I double majored in Political Science and History. I have rural roots, and I live in Ave Maria. I always pay my bills, and I understand the value of a taxpayer's dollar.

2. What are three things you want to accomplish if you are elected to this office?

1. I want the Residents to have a voice at the table when it comes to County Development.
2. I want to ensure that Collier County's Development is on a path that provides sustainability and quality of life for its citizens. This will most likely be accomplished by following the County's Growth Management Plan. If the Growth Management Plan is broken, it needs to be fixed, not ignored. This also includes proper road and water infrastructure.
3. I want to work with Immokalee and all of the great economic infrastructure it has, including but not limited to its manufacturing sector, agricultural sector, and a beautiful, extremely well located airport.

3. Name one current public policy position you disagree with that you would like to change if elected. Why do you disagree?

Collier County's Growth Management Plan is repeatedly being excepted to for new and large developments. Exceptions should not swallow the general rule. I want to vote for development in accordance with the GMP. If the GMP is inadequate, I want it corrected. It is through this process that consensus is achieved, not through the votes of three of five commissioners.

4. What is the most important thing voters should know about you before making their decision in this race?

I want to work with Developers who invest in our County to make it a nice place, but I will also hold them accountable and cannot be bought by them. The decisions we make now will have lasting effects, and the residents deserve strong representation for their interests. This includes lots of green space and sensible road traffic.

**Please email your responses to Sandy Parker, [sandy@sparkers-soapbox.com](mailto:sandy@sparkers-soapbox.com) , no later than June 15, 2020.**