



## 2020 CAMPAIGN PLATFORM

We live in turbulent times. The issues we face are urgent and complex, and finding agreement can be challenging. Lucy Vinis's approach is built on life-long values of fairness, stewardship, respect, and communication. She believes that lasting solutions are forged one step at a time.

### Homelessness

Homelessness is front and center for Lucy and our community. In her first term, Lucy:

- Led the City Council to dedicate \$1 million in funding toward a permanent shelter for the homeless.
- Partnered with Lane County to craft a long-term, coordinated strategy to help people stabilize their lives (TAC Report).
- Promoted investment in community safety to expand services to at-risk youth and unhoused adults.
- Worked with business owners, neighborhood leaders, and homeless advocates to chart the path forward.

If re-elected, Mayor Vinis will work tirelessly to:

- Establish a low-barrier, permanent shelter for homeless people.
- Implement a full range of remedies to help community members find and stay in long-term housing.
- Ensure well-coordinated leadership with the hiring of a Strategic Initiatives Manager.
- Push for increased funding for addiction and mental health services through partnerships with the State and County.

### Housing & Population Growth

Eugene is facing a housing crisis. As Mayor, Lucy has championed innovative solutions, including:

- Passage of the Construction Excise Tax, yielding an estimated \$1 million annually to support a Housing Trust Fund.
- Development of "missing middle" housing to ensure that everyone can find an affordable place to call home.
- Removing red tape for builders of affordable housing
- The Housing Tools & Strategies Task Force, which identified 80 tactics to increase the availability of affordable housing.

Looking forward, Mayor Vinis pledges to:

- Champion tenant rights to protect renters from unfair evictions and other hardships.
- Push for the creation of a landlord engagement process to remove barriers to rental housing for formerly homeless Eugeneans.
- Work with neighborhoods to identify opportunities and obstacles for diverse housing types, while retaining quality of life.

## Climate Change & Transportation

The dual challenges of climate change and population growth require our urgent attention. In her first term, Mayor Vinis:

- Chaired the Ad Hoc Committee on the Climate Action Plan to reduce Eugene's greenhouse gas emissions by 50% from 2010 levels by 2030.
- Bolstered our commitments to bus transit, biking, walking and disability access to build a future less dependent on cars.

Lucy will continue to fight climate change on all levels. In her next term, she will:

- Ensure accountability to the Climate Action goals set in her first term.
- Support a Clean Energy Jobs policy at the state level.
- Champion sustainable investments in transportation at the federal level through her work with the Climate Mayors, US Conference of Mayors, and Congressman DeFazio.
- Keep local energy providers on track to meet their climate action obligations.

## Economic Development

Lucy believes in supporting businesses and nonprofits that create jobs and fuel economic development. She championed the city's investment in:

- High-speed fiber internet.
- Local business development and innovative job training programs.
- Renewal of a 5-year bond of \$51.2 million to fund necessary street repairs.
- Development of the Willamette riverfront neighborhood, bringing 500 new units of housing, new small businesses, and new tax revenue, plus many living-wage construction and permanent jobs.
- Green jobs and products and promoting local food and agriculture production.

Looking forward, Lucy will strive to ensure economic prosperity is shared by all. She will continue to:

- Support programs to build the workforce we need for the jobs we are creating.
- Advocate for community benefits to be incorporated into economic development investments.

## Government Transparency

Since becoming mayor, Lucy has kept her campaign promise to improve communication and help the public stay up-to-date on policies under consideration.

Lucy:

- Writes weekly Mayoral Blogs, available on the City website and on her Facebook page.
- Makes all city government audits public on the city's website.
- Publishes regular guest viewpoints in *The Register-Guard*.

And her efforts don't end there. Currently she is:

- Convening a Youth Advisory Board to advise the City Council and empower youth leaders.
- Hosting "Walks with the Mayor" throughout the city so people can talk directly with her about issues that impact their neighborhoods.

## Fighting for Progressive Values

Lucy believes that everyone deserves a chance to live a life with dignity and respect.

She has put our community values into action by:

- Leading the way on passing Eugene's Sanctuary City Ordinance, so everyone feels welcome and safe here, regardless of immigration status.
- Passing the resolution condemning abortion bans and committing the city to support reproductive rights moving forward.
- Launching the Spreading Kindness Campaign to encourage understanding, compassion, and appreciation of diversity.
- Advocating for fair labor agreements for SEIU and Graduate Teaching Fellows at the University of Oregon.

Lucy will continue to stand up for Eugene's progressive values:

- Expand her outreach to bring more voices into public policy through the multicultural campaign to recognize and celebrate 20 cultures by 2021.
- Encourage expansion of the Equity Panel to invite broader representation in housing and other issues.
- Reinforce efforts to bring our unhoused neighbors into the conversation about solutions to homelessness.
- Advocate for "growing our own" economic development to support local businesses and entrepreneurs.

**To learn more about Mayor Lucy Vinis and her campaign, visit  
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