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Home Builders Association of Western Michigan Government Relations Committee

INFORMATION REQUEST FORM

Candidate Name: Rachelle Smit

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Campaign committee name: CTE Rachelle Smit for State Representative

Campaign committee address: PO Box 124 Shelbyville MI 49344

Current Occupation: State Representative

Candidacy for which office? State Representative Incumbent? YES

Please list endorsements received to date: ABC, GLEP, MFNetwork

MISSION STATEMENT

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local candidate informational questions

1) Are you currently serving in the MI Legislature? If No, have you ever run for elective office? List any offices you've previously run for and convey the outcome.

Yes

Former Township Clerk - 2015-2022

2) What is your background (education, employment, other relevant experience)?

High School Diploma

Business Owner 25 years

Former Twp Clerk, current State Representative

3) If elected/re-elected, what top concern(s) would you address first?

Reign in government spending, lower state income tax.

4) Why should the residential, construction and remodeling community support your candidacy?

We owned a New Construction Company and Remodel Company for several years, pro small business, less regulation and lowered taxes.

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5) Why should the residential, construction and remodeling community NOT support your opponent's candidacy (if applicable)?

I dont know my opponenht's history or background?

6) Today, the home building and remodeling community is confronted with a wide array of complex issues. Within your community, what resource(s) do you look to for advice/counsel?

I have many connections to people in the construction/remodeling industry and family members who currently own construction businesses.

7) Government regulations, policies, ordinances and codes are trending issues for the residential, construction and remodeling industry. How would you reduce regulations to better support the promotion of additional housing?

I- Not support proposed legislation regarding indoor sprinkling system
Stop mandating energy codes that are unsustainable and unaffordable.

8) What is your philosophy on residential development, impact fees, property taxes, etc.?

resonable regulation in residential development, fair and transparent impact fees. low to minimal property taxes to encourage homeownership and economic growth.

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9) If elected/re-elected, what steps would you take to encourage and support new housing development?

Not impose any further regulations or restrictions that would negatively impact the housing market.

10) What is your position on property owners' rights regarding development, redevelopment and remodeling?

They should have the right to do with their property as they choose within the local jurisdictions ordinances.

11) How would you define positive housing market growth within the community?

Steady, consistent and affordable.

12) How can the HBA of Western Michigan assist you if elected/re-elected?

Support for issues to fight against ^{in housing/development industry} if necessary.

The Government Relations Committee appreciates the time you've taken to complete this form. Please know that your participation will help HBA members make an informed decision on election day.

Please mail the completed form to the address above, e-mail it to MeganW@hbawmi.com, or fax it to (269) 375-6493.

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