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Time Spent: Over a week  
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Page 1: Introduction

**Q1** Please provide your name.

Robyn Driscoll

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**Q2** Why are you running for County Commissioner?

I look forward to continuing my service to Yellowstone County and it's residents. I have learned a lot about County government in the year and a half I have served, and bring a good knowledge base to the Commission.

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**Q3** What do you believe is the most important issue related to growing business in Yellowstone County and what are your suggestions for addressing that issue?

Making sure we have a skilled labor force to fill employer needs. I am very supportive of School District 2's CTE initiative and hopeful the new superintendent makes it a priority as well. The legislature should also fund and support job training programs.

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**Q4** In the 2017 Legislative Session, local option authority was supported by the Billings Chamber, City of Billings, Big Sky Economic Development, Downtown Billings Partnership, and numerous other organizations across the state. Will you support efforts to pass a local option authority bill in the 2019 Session?

**Yes,**

You may provide additional context if appropriate.:

I have typically supported people's right to vote on whether they want to support local projects by taxing themselves and tourists visiting Yellowstone County, but of course it always depends on the details of the bill brought before the legislature. Not only does it give those who would support the project the ability to say yes, it also gives those who do not support it, the ability to say no. Many folks are very interested in bringing a professional hockey team to Billings and if local option was already in place, it could be a way to fund all of the expenses that go along with that.

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## County Commissioner Candidate Questionnaire

**Q5** One of our county's greatest assets is the MetraPark facility. How do you plan to invest in renovating and upgrading the facility and grounds to ensure bookings do not decrease and opportunities are not lost?

Bill Dutcher, Ray Massey and the entire MetraPark crew are doing a fantastic job keeping the facility booked--rarely can you drive by anymore and see it dark. Right now, we receive a capital improvement plan fee on every ticket that is sold and I would also charge for parking in the lower lot. I have rarely visited any other venue or stadium without having to pay almost the same price as the event ticket to park.

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**Q6** A county gas tax provides the opportunity to raise additional revenue for infrastructure in Yellowstone County. Would you support putting a county gas tax increase on the ballot to let voters decide on enactment of an additional gas tax?

**Yes,**

You may provide additional context if appropriate.:

Again, I typically support allowing voters to decide whether they want to tax themselves to support needed infrastructure projects.

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Page 3: Finalizing Questionnaire

**Q7** If you have not sent the Billings Chamber a high-res image you would like us to use, please upload a photo here.

**Respondent skipped this question**

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