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**Q1**

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**Q4**

Office Sought

13th Ward Minneapolis City Council

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**Q5**

Town of Residence

Minneapolis, MN

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**Q6**

How long have you lived in your community?

25 years

**Q7**

Are you a Homeowner or Renter?

Homeowner, for 23 years

**Q8**

Do you own other real property (e.g. Business, Cabin, Investment, or Rental Property)? If so, which?

no

**Q9**

Describe your civic and/or community engagement.

Vice President of the Minneapolis City Council, this term

Minneapolis City Council Member, 9 years

Linden Hills Neighborhood Council/Chair, 4 years

Southwest High School Running Coach, 4 years

Began a nonprofit for undocumented high schoolers

Founding board of local farmer's market

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**Q12**

Please list any notable supporters or groups of supporters for your campaign

Minneapolis DFL endorsement (74%)  
State Majority Leader Jamie Long  
AFL-CIO  
Mpls Building Trades  
LiUNA  
Mpls Firefighters Local 82  
WomenWinning  
AFSCME Council 5  
Minnesota DFL Senior Caucus

**Q13**

What are the most important housing challenges facing your community?

Citywide- housing shortage and housing affordability; lack of homeownership by BIPOC community; workforce housing.

**Q14**

The Twin Cities Metro is facing a housing shortage unlike any we have experienced in recent history. What will you do to increase the number of homes available to residents of your community?

I have worked diligently to improve building practices to ensure quality homes are built and that people can live next door to housing projects during construction. I work diligently on housing projects in my ward and have increased the amount of money available in tax incentives and programs like the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, 4% tax credits that come with housing revenue bonds, NOAH program, 4D, Missing Middle housing, Mpls Homes programs, MPHA new and existing housing. The city invests approx 250M/year in housing programs and it is critical to understand how to best leverage this money for as much housing as possible.

**Q15**

Minnesota has one of the largest homeownership gaps between Whites and Blacks, Indigenous, and People of Color. This is one of MAR's primary concerns. What would you propose at the local level to close this home ownership gap?

We have several targeted programs to work on this issue, from first time home ownership to helping small business owners to purchase the buildings they operate from. This in turn leverages their ability to grow and invest in other property.

**Q16**

How do you think the city can best balance the rights of tenants and property owners to effectively manage rental housing?

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I think the City has a responsibility to tenants that properties which are licensed by the City are maintained and are not sustaining repeated violations over a period of time. The Inspections department has worked with many problem properties over the years some of which have been owned by a single landlord. In those onerous cases they have revoked the rental license and not reissued it until there was a new landlord for the building. Renters deserve to pay rent and live in a building that meets health and safety codes and has heat, running water, and shoveled sidewalks.

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**Q17**

What are your views on property tax rates in your community? Do you have concerns related to the city's property tax rate? If so, how would you address those concerns once elected?

As more buildings have been constructed across Minneapolis it has allowed the tax base to grow so that increases in the levy on a yearly basis are spread across that base and property owners are not seeing the full effect of the yearly levy increase. If the economy slows down and levy increases continue this will be problematic. I think we always need to be asking as we fund new projects...how do we pay for that? Right now the city is in a place where everyone wants to live here but accelerating tax rates could drive folks out. And I am deeply concerned about the compression of downtown in terms of the market value of large office buildings, and this would spread the levy more heavily onto regular small homeowners and increase the burden on average homeowners.

**Q18**

Please provide links to all social media accounts connected to you or your campaign if any.

I do not use social media as a primary or even secondary way to communicate. I have a campaign facebook page "Neighbors for Linea" and my personal Twitter handle, @LineaPalmisano.

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