

League of Women Voters Questionnaire, Colorado General Election November 2026, Jeff Peckman, Unity Party Candidate for Governor

Bio

Since age 10, I've tried to promote the most affordable and effective solutions to humanity's problems. In Colorado, I've run for U.S. Senate, House District 2, and mayor of Denver. My three ballot initiative campaigns made headlines worldwide, even setting local media records. Those campaigns showed me why major party politicians ignore and even obstruct cost-effective solutions. My SOLUTIONS BLUEPRINT at jeffpeckman.com shares solutions I've been involved with during the last 50 years. They're in areas such as economic development, health, education, energy, public safety, criminal justice, agriculture, homelessness, high tech, pollution, climate change, world peace, and counterterrorism. I've lived in nine U.S. states and have spent over one year in foreign countries while working with a non-profit organization. I'm a consultant and entrepreneur. My company is COCUUN, LLC. You can read more of my background for free in Chapter One of RAISE the ZONE at www.raisethezone.com

- **Do you believe that all individuals should have access to high quality, affordable, nondiscriminatory health coverage? Why or why not?**

Yes. Achieving that will require a major overhaul of healthcare services, and reducing underlying causes of disease due to society-wide pollution. All individuals should have access to the most affordable and effective health resources. However, ordinary health coverage excludes too many modalities that are more effective and affordable in providing good health, because they aren't as profitable for the "disease care" industry. Government suppression of these modalities must end as well.

I believe in universal coverage for unexpected emergencies. I don't think all disease care for everyone should be paid for by taxes or a general fund because that reduces the incentive for people to take care of their health and increase their income. It's not uncommon that people on Medicaid resist making more income because they're afraid of losing Medicaid coverage. More vouchers and tax credits should cover out-of-pocket payments for valid "uncovered" treatments. Put health first and profit second.

- **What do you believe are reasonable remedies to address rising hate crimes and incidents?**

Reduce all forms of pollution to reduce hate crimes. Pollution of water, air, food, and electromagnetic fields, and chronic stress, have caused incoherence and damage in human brains. Higher brain functions such as respect, compassion, honesty, ethics, morality, kindness, and even conscience, have generally decreased in society over time. That's caused not only hate

crimes, but all types of substance abuse, violence and injustices, corporate crimes that exploit consumers, and government corruption and incompetence. Reasonable and affordable remedies for reducing all types of pollution society-wide are available but have been ignored by the two major parties. During the June primary election, Genesis AI ranked candidate solutions to air pollution with 10 as the most effective and affordable. Phil Weiser got a 6. I got a 10. For overall solutions to Colorado's problems, AI gave Phil a 7 and me a 9. That full analysis is posted on my campaign website "AI Rankings" page.

- **What role should the state government have in enforcing federal immigration laws?**

Every Colorado resident should read the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001, Sec. 802. It defines "Domestic Terrorism". State government should not allow illegal treatment of immigrants! However, that might require Colorado having its own domestic terrorism laws that are enforceable even against federal agents. State government should support legal, humane treatment and deportation of immigrants who are illegally in the U.S. It should also collaborate with the federal government to expedite green cards, visas and citizenship for valuable, law-abiding workers and students. On the other hand, Chapter 7 of my book, RAISE the ZONE, suggests that states "ascend" to the status of free and sovereign countries. That way, they can establish their own humane and responsible immigration laws, institutions, trade agreements, and other laws. Maybe it's time. A recent Gallup poll found that 89% of Americans believe there's widespread corruption in the federal government – a 10-point increase since last year!

- **What would you do to reduce household expenses?**

U.S. wars and tariffs have driven up costs. So has our problem-based economy. Colorado PERA, the pension fund for government employees, has over \$75 billion invested in thousands of public companies. Many of them provide unhealthy products that are also getting overly expensive. PERA and other institutional investors, such as union pension funds, 401k's, etc., count on those companies profiting as much as possible. That's their fiscal duty. Unfortunately, our use of unhealthy products creates a downward spiral in quality of life, along with increased costs for household expenses. So, for one, I would shift Colorado PERA's shares of electric vehicle and drug companies to Colorado-based companies that would be even more profitable, and yet more effective in improving Colorado's air quality and healthcare at less expense. New economic engines must be built on solutions that create an upward spiral in quality of life. More affordability through higher prosperity will result for everyone.

- **What would you recommend to build a more robust labor force?**

A “moon-shot” vision is vital for inspiring a more robust labor force. New emerging technologies can provide affordable solutions to persistent state, national, and global problems. That will launch exciting new economic engines to increase good-paying jobs and job security. More education and training will be essential. Some of this tech is based on “coherence”, which can greatly reduce pollution that causes millions of deaths each year.

More support between sectors is needed. Forest and farm waste can be turned into high-value materials such as graphene. That can improve concrete, asphalt and steel for roads and bridges, while improving vehicles. Farms can grow valuable medicinal plants for healthcare. A graphene vehicle device can achieve global emission-reduction goals within five years. That will also reduce costly and catastrophic fires, drought and floods due to human-caused climate change, while saving hundreds of billions a year in fuel, healthcare, and acid rain costs.

- **Please name your Lieutenant Governor running mate.**

The Honorable T. J. Cole – founder of all five Justice High Schools. He serves as a Founders Board member, and a board member for Denver Justice High School. Judge Cole presently serves as a Principal and Associate Judge for the Wheatridge Municipal Court

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