

Denver Post Questionnaire – Colorado General Election November 2026 – Jeff Peckman, Unity Party of Colorado Candidate for Governor

Experience

Entrepreneur, consultant, strategist, researcher, innovator, project coordinator, book and ballot initiative author, writer, real estate agent, architectural/landscape designer, handyman, caregiver.

Questions

What are your top three priorities, if elected? Please identify any immediate actions you would take, whether through legislative advocacy or executive action.

1. Create the position of Chief Coherence Officer to form the Partnership for Applied Coherence Technologies. That will launch related economic engines (such as graphene and hydrogen) predicted to have over \$10 trillion in global market impact by 2050.
2. Mandate results-based state budgeting that prioritizes the most affordable and effective solutions across all areas of government, and extend those solutions into more affordable housing and healthcare.
3. Assign the Honorable T.J. Cole, Lt. Governor, to examine all matters related to law, criminal justice, public safety and immigration, and ensure that best practices are applied in the most humane way.

What specific actions would you take to address the state's ongoing Medicaid funding crisis?

1. Immediately audit the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing to ensure that those eligible for Medicaid get simple, clear, and quick information, paperwork and processing for enrollment and re-enrollment.
2. Include, on an oversight board, health care practitioners who potentially offer more affordable and effective healthcare modalities than what's typically covered by health insurance and Medicaid.
3. Deploy affordable and proven technologies to reduce air pollution. Resulting health benefits will cascade throughout society, especially in more polluted areas with higher concentrations of Medicaid recipients. That'll reduce healthcare demand and costs, potentially saving hundreds of millions of dollars.

Would your administration encourage or seek to impede federal immigration agents operating in Colorado, and do you agree with state laws that restrict that cooperation?

I would encourage federal immigration agents to operate legally and humanely, and uphold the right to due process. If they operate in a way that fits the USA PATRIOT ACT of 2001, Sec. 802, definition of “domestic terrorism”, as many agents already have, then I would seek to impede them. I would also prosecute them to compel ICE to clean up its act and compensate innocent victims of illegal agent activity. I don’t agree with state laws that restrict legal and humane agent activities, but I agree that if profit-motivated ICE agents disregard laws, the state should restrict cooperation.

As governor, would you agree to mandatory Colorado River usage cuts in the state in exchange for a seven-state deal safeguarding its future? And what specific actions would you take to better insulate Colorado’s water supplies from drought?

Prior conversations about Colorado River usage, water supplies and drought are obsolete and incomplete. They didn’t factor in the extraordinary benefits of coherence technologies. These technologies can affordably achieve huge and rapid reductions in air and water pollution. They can harvest high value graphene from forest and agricultural waste that would otherwise be wildfire fuel. They can achieve better cooling for data centers and industry, without using excessive water resources. After all of that is factored in, more useful and responsible decisions can be made to reverse the downward spiral from pollution, climate change, drought, cuts, and competing users.

How would you steer the future of transportation in Colorado, while balancing the push for more mass-transit options with the fact that most Coloradans still rely on their personal cars to get around?

I support “Restore Our Roads” Initiative 175 to maintain existing infrastructure. It will produce prosperity for all Coloradans when partnered with coherence technologies that make graphene from methane, used tires, and forest, agricultural, and municipal solid waste.

I would employ Colorado-based technologies for gas and diesel engines to quickly and affordably achieve emissions reduction goals within 2 years. That would save at least \$2 billion/year in fuel, health care, infrastructure, and environment costs, plus create export opportunities worth billions. More electric vehicles and expanded electric mass transit aren’t needed. I would end tax-funded incentives for EVs and EV infrastructure.

Do you have any criminal convictions? If so, please briefly describe the circumstances.

No convictions, arrests, or even accusations of illegal activity. I've been involved in highly effective programs for crime prevention and reducing recidivism. My 2003 “Safety through Peace” Denver ballot initiative was even praised by leading experts in criminal justice and terrorism. It actually became “the talk of the nation”.